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RECAPTURE OF THE CHESAPEAKE

She is Taken in Sambro Harbor, N. S., by the Gunboat Ella and Annie.

All but Three of the Crew Escape and Hide in the Woods.

Reported Resistance of the Officials Sent to Arrest Them.

THE CHESAPEAKE NOW AT HALIFAX.

HALIFAX, Thursday, Dec. 17.

The movements of the *Chesapeake* since her first appearance at Shelburne, have been narrowly watched by the United States officials and the American citizens of the Province. Her whereabouts were daily known, but the absence of the gunboats has caused delay in her capture. Tuesday the *Ella and Annie*, Lieut.-Comd'g. NICKELS, arrived for coals, and was immediately supplied at Cunard's Wharf. She received information of the pirate, and at 11½ P. M. steamed for her, arriving at her rendezvous at 3 P. M., but the *Chesapeake* left at 9 A. M., of Wednesday, thus evading her pursuers. The *Ella and Annie* immediately turned back and steamed for Lunenburg for orders, arriving in the evening. Meantime the officials securing information of the pirates being at Sambro, notified Lieut. NICKELS, who immediately steamed for her, determined to take her, and at daylight Thursday accomplished it. The crew offered no resistance, but at the sight of their pursuers immediately fled to the woods, leaving a sumptuously prepared breakfast.

The *Chesapeake* was immediately taken in tow, and Lieut. NICKELS started for an American port. The *Dacotah* soon came up, and ordered Lieut. NICKELS and prize into Halifax, for sanction of the act by the Government, where the three vessels arrived at 4 P. M.

Three of the original crew were captured. The others were shipped in Nova Scotia.

The *Niagara* left Pubnico this morning, bound East.

It is reported that the officials dispatched by the authorities to arrest the pirate BRAINE, to-day, were resisted.

The Chase of the Chesapeake—The Gunboat Agawam.

BOSTON, Thursday, Dec. 17.

The gunboat *Agawam* experienced very heavy gales, and was unable to double Cape Sable. She therefore was obliged to return. She was built only for a river boat—long, narrow, and with a rudder at both ends. Her soldiers have just debarked.

FROM KNOXVILLE.

Longstreet's Retreat—He Loses Three Thousand Prisoners and Six Pieces of Artillery—Great Suffering by His Troops.

From the Cincinnati Commercial, Dec. 16.

Capt. H. C. PIKE, Second Ohio V. C., arrived in this city last night direct from Knoxville, which place he left on the 10th. At that date the main body of LONGSTREET's army was at Rogersville. LONGSTREET had, during his retreat, lost about 3,000 men in prisoners and deserters. There were swarms of fugitives from his ranks, a great many of them Georgians—the choice veterans of the rebel army, worn out with hard service, and quite disheartened. The retreating rebels were suffering intensely for want of clothing and food, and were demoralized in an extraordinary degree by their hardships and disasters in East Tennessee. LONGSTREET had abandoned his siege train, consisting of six guns, and they had fallen into our hands. The carriages were burned before the guns were abandoned. Gen. FOSTER arrived at Knoxville on the 10th, and assumed command. Gen. BURNSIDE was sick several days after the retreat of the rebels, but was recovering, and would leave for home by way of Chattanooga. The boys of the army were very sorry to part with him, though Gen. FOSTER's fame as a soldier was not unknown to them, and they had much confidence in him. Capt. PIKE met two heavy supply trains between Cumberland Gap and Knoxville; the foremost was within 24 miles of its destination. They were loaded with coffee, sugar, salt and hard bread. There were thirty days' supplies for BURNSIDE's army in Knoxville when the rebels retreated. The people of the surrounding country were destitute, the rebel army having consumed every thing eatable, and devastated the region to a deplorable extent.

FROM WESTERN TENNESSEE.

The Late Fight at Wolf River Bridge—Particulars of the Affair.

Correspondence of the Cincinnati Gazette.

CAIRO, Monday, Dec. 14, 1863.

The Memphis *Bulletin* of the 11th has the following further particulars of the late fight at Wolf River Bridge: "On Thursday, the 3d inst., the rebels made an attempt on Collierville. The troops there were commanded by Col. FRANK A. KENDRICK, Second West Tennessee Regiment.

The object was to destroy the railroad bridge across Wolf River. The plan of the rebels being made known, the planks of the bridge were taken up on the main Collierville road. In the afternoon a small cavalry force made a demonstration on the bridge and withdrew.

The Union force thus engaged lost two guns and one man wounded. Early in the morning it was discovered that Lafayette had been burned. The Sixth Illinois cavalry arrived, and joined Col. HENDRICK ahead of Col. HATCH's cavalry brigade on the 6th.

A portion of another regiment had crossed the bridge and got into an ambush. The bridge was soon obstructed with caissons, and the enemy made desperate attempts upon the bridge. The place was steadily defended. This had gone on half an hour when Col. HATCH's force arrived. Col. HATCH had hardly joined in the action when he fell severely wounded. The command then devolved upon Col. KENDRICK, who placed portions of the Second Iowa cavalry, with revolving rifles, at the bridge. They kept off an attack. Col. FOLEY's command was now attacked by superior numbers, but held their own, and the rebels were beaten off. Meantime the artillery at the fort kept up a heavy fire under order of Lieut. FULLER.

At ten minutes past 4 in the afternoon, finding their efforts all in vain, the enemy retreated precipitately, with heavy loss, leaving twenty-two dead and four wounded on the field, and carrying off six wagon loads of other wounded. As previously reported, the Union forces took eight prisoners in all, five of whom were wounded.

FROM NORTH CAROLINA.

Changes in the Rebel Army—Blockade Running at Wilmington—Colored Troops.

NEWBERN, N. C., Saturday, Dec. 12.

Refugees reached here this morning from Wilmington who state that Gen. WHITING, commanding the rebel forces at that point, left with a brigade recently for Tennessee, and was relieved by Gen. MARTIN, whose command in and about Wilmington consists only of one small brigade.

The running of the blockade into Wilmington continues to increase. It is estimated that half a million dollars' worth of goods arrive there every twenty-four hours.

Since North Carolina is nearly abandoned by the rebel troops, there being but two brigades in the State, it has been decided by her banks as a matter of safety to dispose of their specie, which they are now paying out as fast as possible to the citizens of the State, giving one dollar in gold for four dollars in North Carolina money.

Gen. BUTLER is raising an army of colored troops in this department. The three black regiments of cavalry recently started are rapidly filling up.

NEWS FROM THE SOUTH.

The Stoppage of Supplies for Union Prisoners—Gen. Grant Reported Falling Back on Nashville—Longstreet's Position in East Tennessee—Desperate Legislation of the Rebel Congress—Stormy Speech of Mr. Foote, of Tennessee.

We have received files of Richmond papers to Dec. 16 inclusive, from which we make the following interesting extracts.

THE FEDERAL PRISONERS.

STOPPAGE OF SUPPLIES.

From the Richmond Enquirer, Dec. 14.

The subjoined letter from Commissioner OULD to Commissioner MEREDITH has been delivered, and it notifies him that no more supplies will be permitted to come from the United States. The reasons assigned for this action are the same given by the *Enquirer*, when we urged the discontinuance of this favor. Our kindness has been abused and made the occasion of insult and offence. We may now expect to hear that our own prisoners have been reduced in their rations, but this is no more than has always been the case at Fort Delaware. The enemy have never fed our prisoners as they ought, and though they may increase their cruelty, yet our brave and gallant soldiers now in their hands will bear the increased cruelty with the same fortitude they have heretofore evinced.

CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA,
WAR DEPARTMENT, RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 11, 1863.

Brig.-Gen. S. A. Meredith, Agent of Exchange:

SIR: As the assent of the Confederate Government to the transmission, by your authorities and people, of food and clothing to the prisoners at Richmond and elsewhere, has been the subject of so much misconstruction and misrepresentation, and has been made the occasion of so much vilification and abuse, I am directed to inform you that no more will be allowed to be delivered at City Point. The clothing and provisions already received will be devoted to the use of your prisoners. When that supply is exhausted, they will receive the same rations as our own soldiers in the field.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,
RO. OULD, Agent of Exchange.

RETALIATION.

Authentic information having been received that Acting Masters JOHN Y. BEALL and EDWARD McGUIRE, together with fifteen men, all belonging to the Confederate States navy, are now in close confinement, in irons, at Fort McHenry, to be tried as pirates, our efficient and energetic Agent of Exchange, Judge OULD, has notified Gen. MEREDITH that Lieut.-Commander EDWARD P. WILLIAMS and Ensign BENJAMIN H. PORTER and fifteen seamen, now Yankee prisoners in our hands, have been placed in close confinement and irons, and will be held as hostages for the proper treatment of our men.

THE MILITARY PRISONS.

From the Richmond Examiner, Dec. 15.

There were, yesterday, in the Libby Prison and its dependencies, over 10,000 Abolition captives. In this number, are included 963 commissioned officers, domiciled at the Libby, under the immediate supervision of Maj. THOS. P. TURNER. By the record it appears that nine were received on the 14th inst. Twelve died the same day. The arrivals for several days past have not been very numerous. On last Friday night Capt. ANDERSON, of the Fifty-first Indiana cavalry, (STREIGHT's command,) Lieut. SKELTON, of the Nineteenth Iowa regiment, (a red-headed, bull-tongued, [illegible] Abolitionist,) escaped from the hospital of the Libby Prison by bribing the sentinel, one MACK, a member of the Tenth Virginia battalion of heavy artillery. This person was purchased for $40. The escape becoming known, the occurrence elicited inquiry, which led to the arrest of the delinquent sentinel, who will be tried by court-martial for the offence with which he stands charged. On Monday night three more unsuccessful attempts were made by four of the officers confined in the centre building to leave surreptitiously. Through the vigilance of Private P. FAGAN, of Capt. WHITTINGTON's Alexandria artillery, Company H, a guard at the prison, the conspiracy to escape was made known to the officers in command.

THE WAR IN VIRGINIA.

CAPTURE OF CAVALRY NEAR RICHMOND.

From the Richmond Examiner, Dec. 16.

We have some facts concerning the inconsiderable *cavalry affair at Charles City Court-house. Several citizens of the county have made the trip to* Richmond to post us as to the facts. Two companies of our cavalry were captured entire. We lament the loss of the horses. The force of the enemy, as estimated by our informants, who counted them on their way up to the Court-house, was two hundred. The number of our men captured was at least two hundred. Each Yankee took a man. One of our companies was on parade when the enemy came in sight, and, without resistance, threw down their arms and surrendered; the other company made a show of resistance, but only a show. The citizens of Charles City mourn this event—they weep and cannot be comforted, because all the cavalry, who, up to this time, have been roaming over that country, shooting deer, partridges and poor people's turkeys, had not been captured. A few more of the sort are unfortunately left. We regret to learn that Lieut. E. BALLARD, of this city, was very badly wounded. We are said to have killed six Yankees and wounded many, but we think this very doubtful. The enemy burnt the Court-house and returned toward Williamsburgh. It is unnecessary to make any comments on this brilliant affair.

FROM SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA.

From the Richmond Examiner, Dec. 14.

A dispatch was on Saturday received at the War Office from Gen. SAM. JONES, at Dublin Station, on the Virginia and Tennessee Railroad, stating that AVERILL, with a heavy force of cavalry and mounted infantry, was advancing from Kanawha upon Lewisburgh, and that it was probably his intention to endeavor to cut LONGSTREET's railroad communication. Nothing was heard from this movement on yesterday. There are those who believe it to be AVERILL's design to penetrate into Rockbridge and Botetourt Counties. IMBODEN, when last heard from, was in Pocahontas. What force he can oppose to AVERILL we are not informed.

THE SITUATION IN TENNESSEE.

FROM THE ARMY OF TENNESSEE—GRANT TO SUPERSEDE MEADE AND TO REINFORCE THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.

ATLANTA, Friday, Dec. 11.

A special to the *Intelligencer*, from Dalton, to-day, says:

"The enemy have fallen back from Chickamauga; heavy pickets at Missionary Ridge. Two corps had crossed the river at Bridgeport.

The track of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad has been torn up between Whiteside and Shell Mound, a distance of eight miles, and the railroad bed used as a wagon road.

Three small boats are running up the river to Chattanooga.

Indications are apparent of an intention on the part of the enemy to go into winter quarters in Tennessee, and to send thirty thousand men as reinforcements to the Army of the Potomac. Gen. GRANT, it is said, will supersede Gen. MEADE.

Direct information from LONGSTREET has been received. He was at Bean's Station, fifty-six miles from Knoxville, on the 8th.

Col. IVES, one of the President's aids, has arrived here. It is supposed that the object of his visit is to report upon the condition of affairs in this army."

EVACUATION OF CHATTANOOGA.

From the Richmond Enquirer, Dec. 12.

The President is said to have received from Col. IVES, his Aid, now in the Army of Tennessee, *a telegram announcing the evacuation of Chattanooga by Gen. Grant, and his retreat upon Nashville, tearing up the railroad behind him. We understand that Gen. Hardee will pursue.* What has caused this sudden and unexpected evacuation is not known. By many it is regarded as a strategic move to commence a new campaign. Whatever may be the enemy's designs, he will find his adversary upon the watch and fully prepared. Perhaps the army under GRANT is to undertake the "On to Richmond," and be engulphed in that Serbonian bog, "where armies whole have sunk," where McDOWELL, McCLELLAN, POPE, BURNSIDE, HOOKER and MEADE have been buried by Gen. LEE.

FROM EAST TENNESSEE.

BRISTOL, Monday, Dec. 14.

The main body of our army remains at Rogersville, and Gen. LONGSTREET's headquarters are at that place. Large droves of hogs and cattle are being gathered up in East Tennessee by our cavalry. BURNSIDE is reported marching toward Cumberland Gap, but nothing official is known in regard to it.

LONGSTREET'S POSITION.

From the Richmond Examiner, Dec. 10.

Gen. LONGSTREET's headquarters are now at Rogersville, Hawkins County, about forty miles southwest of Knoxville, *and he is considered, for the present stationary.* There were, at last accounts, no indications of an attack of the enemy.

We understand that Gen. LONGSTREET, in his reports of his campaign against BURNSIDE, *says he lost seven hundred men in the attack on Knoxville, and that the place would have been carried by assault, but for the misunderstanding of orders by some of his subaltern officers.* It seems that our men, after suffering heavily, had reached the enemy's intrenchments, and here for a long time kept awaiting orders that never came; and the enemy, having rallied and gathered reinforcements, forced them to retire.

THE REBEL CONGRESS.

MR. FOOTE'S PHILIPPIC AGAINST JEFF. DAVIS.

In the rebel House of Representatives, on Dec. 9, Hon. H. S. FOOTE, of Tennessee, while the reference of the *President's Message to the various Committees was in progress*, offered an amendment to a previous resolution, instructing the appropriate Committee (Military) to inquire into the cause of the late disaster near Chattanooga, and ascertain and report whether it was owing to a want of valor in the troops, as stated in the President's Message, or to other causes.

Mr. FOOTE said he would now defy the most devoted champions of the President to take issue with him here. Whoever charged that army with a want of valor he negatived; whosoever undertook to throw the responsibility of that disaster upon that army, or upon any portion of it, he would take issue with him. A more valiant body of soldiers the world never saw. *He would undertake to say that the President himself was responsible for that defeat, and he was prepared to prove it; and, furthermore, he would show that he had endeavored to shift the responsibility and throw it upon the brave men who had bared their breasts to the battle.* No man should denounce those men as wanting in valor with impunity. It was an accusation dishonorable to the honor and discreditable to all, which would tend to the demoralization of our troops, and may be productive of still worse disasters. After that unfortunate campaign in Kentucky, it was urged upon the President to remove from the command of that army Gen. BRAGG, who had proven himself already incompetent for his position. It was known how he permitted the interior and partly demoralized army of the enemy to pass him and secure communication with Louisville, from which they received heavy reinforcements and supplies; and further on (for he had the proofs) he had proposed to divide his army into different detachments, and would have carried out his plan, but that he was outnumbered by the opposite opinions of his councils, who told him that the plan was un-Napoleonic, and that he would be overwhelmed if he attempted it. The President was called upon to remove him as incompetent and even dangerous. When he came out of Kentucky, *from what proved to have been only a jaunt expedition, and a perfect failure as a military affair*, he (Mr. FOOTE) took part with his colleagues and again urged his removal. They waited upon the President; it would be out of order to say what occurred. But the result is known—BRAGG was not removed. That man (BRAGG) has been most odious to both the army and people for more than a year, and the President must have known it. But he visited the army and said there was no cause for the complaints. I also visited the army, continued Mr. FOOTE, and I mingled with the men, and addressed nearly every brigade in it—not, however, upon BRAGG, because I would not for the world have sown any discontent. But I found the whole army distrustful of him. One thing is certain, he has driven away every one of his best Generals. He has driven away the skilled and gallant POLK, he has forced the noble hearted BUCKNER to leave him; he has calumniated BRECKINRIDGE, and victimized McCOWN. Everybody knows he is on bad terms with HARDEE. He is so constituted that he cannot agree with any of his commanders. What is more, one of my colleagues has received a letter from BRAGG himself, in which he said—only five weeks ago—that he couldn't command that army effectively *unless he was clear of*— [illegible] *a whole regiment of field officers!* President DAVIS was appealed to by nearly every officer there for his removal. But he stood up for BRAGG; he had committed himself to the country, he had expressed his opinion, publicly, of BRAGG's eminent fitness for the command, and was determined to risk the safety of the country upon it. For the same reason, and under the same circumstances, PEMBERTON was retained. That was the sole reason of the fall of Vicksburgh. To show the pertinacity of the President, the Military Court directed to inquire into the conduct of PEMBERTON was disposed with in two days after it met, by the order of the President. When this man had surrendered—dishonorably surrendered—his command to the enemy, *the President made him his companion, carried him with him to Bragg's army, and, if the truth must be told, many a soldier, as they rode along the line, said, "There goes the traitor who delivered us over at Vicksburgh!"* Even then the President had the temerity, the unblushing disregard of public sentiment, in his own State and elsewhere, to *offer to that same PEMBERTON the command of POLK's* corps; and if he had undertaken that duty, he would have been slain in the earliest hour of battle, or even before a battle, by the hands of his own men. I will further add that upon the proposition sending LONGSTREET into East Tennessee, the President concurred with BRAGG, and that army was divided. Inferior in numbers to the enemy, but inferior to none in the world in valor, BRAGG's army was left against an overwhelming foe in front. By this order, *the President did not leave more than 30,000 men under Bragg, while the enemy numbered from 100,000 to 125,000.* Before this force, the most valiant and experienced soldiers of any time or any land, in numbers like to ours, must have been overwhelmed. What does the President say? Does he come forward boldly and generously and say: "I am responsible for the disaster?" No! He charges them with want of valor. I charge him, not with want of valor, but with want of confidence in the opinion of others, with gross mismanagement, with contempt for the sentiment of the people of the country. I told him twelve months ago that, unless BRAGG was removed, Tennessee would be in the hands of the enemy, *and now my bleeding State attests the truth of my and the whole country's predictions. The President never visited the army without doing it injury—never yet, that it has not been followed by disaster. He was instrumental in the Gettysburgh affair; he instructed Bragg at Murfreesboro'; he has opened Georgia to 100,000 of the enemy's troops and laid South Carolina liable to destruction. I charge him with having almost ruined the country and will meet his champion anywhere to discuss it.* Would to God he may never visit the army again; would to God he had yielded to the public sentiment of his country; would to God he had been able to appreciate the truth, that when confidence is once lost by the people in an officer it is suicidal to retain him.

The vote was about to be taken on the resolution, when

Mr. MILES, of South Carolina suggested that the matter be referred, as usual in matters of such special inquiry, to a Special Committee.

Mr. FOOTE assented, and for the present withdrew his resolution. He then offered the following:

Resolved, That said Committee be instructed to inquire whether there be any ground for the allegation made by the enemy, in formal official letters and otherwise, that the prisoners of war detained by us in custody have been refused adequate supplies of a wholesome and nutritious character, at any time, and report the result of the inquiry herein, in order that not a moment should be lost in vindicating the honor of our own Government in regard to this solemn and interesting matter, and that no plausible pretext shall remain for the maltreatment of our own valuable soldiers, now detained in Northern prison houses, upon the plea of needful retaliation.

In explaining and urging this resolution upon the Committee of the Whole, Mr. FOOTE, said that his design was to investigate facts, and he had a few to offer; not to give information to the enemy, but to give information to this House and to the country, that the honor of the country may be protected. A certain Commissary-General, who was a curse to our country, had been invested with authority to control the matter of subsistence. *This man—this monster—this Northrop—has stealthily placed our Government in the attitude charged by the enemy, and has attempted to starve the prisoners in our hands!* Here Mr. FOOTE read a letter from the Quartermaster for the Prisons, Capt. J. WARNER, addressed to Gen. WINDER, and placed on the record at Col. OULD's office, which stated that he (Capt. WARNER) had, from the 1st to the 20th of the last month, been able to obtain meat for the prisoners in a very irregular and meagre manner from the department, and that for six days only of the period was he able to obtain a regular supply; *for twelve days the supply was irregular and inadequate, and for eight days they got none at all.* This Commissary-General, who, he was told, continued Mr. FOOTE, was a sort of pepper doctor down in Charleston, and, he must say, looked as like a vegetarian as his practice would indicate, had actually made an elaborate report to the Secretary of War, *showing that for the maintenance of a human Yankee carcase a vegetable diet was the most proper that could be adopted.* [Laughter.] He had other facts which he would bring forward in addition to this to show that this NORTHROP should be turned out. For the honor of the country, he should be ejected at once.

The vote was then taken on the resolution, and it was lost.

SUBSISTENCE AND TREATMENT OF "YANKEE PRISONERS."

In the Senate, on Dec. 10, Mr. WIGFALL, of Texas, offered the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the subject of the treatment and subsistence of prisoners of war in the hands of the military authorities, and report the result of their investigations to the Senate.

Mr. WIGFALL said he had offered the resolution because of a statement made in a quarter which should entitle it to our respect, and calculated to secure for it credence among foreign nations, that the prisoners of war had been improperly and badly treated. For himself, he believed that the prisoners were really better treated than they should be; but, because of the source whence the announcement had come, he thought it proper the Senate should take some authoritative action and direct an investigation, that the real facts might be made known. The resolution was agreed to.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Senator Hale Makes a Personal Explanation.

THE IRON-CLAD NAVY TO BE OVERHAULED.

The Amnesty Proclamation Before the House.

A CONDEMNATORY RESOLUTION DEFEATED.

Another Effort for the Exchange of Prisoners.

Diplomatic Expenditures—Invalid Pensions and Homestead Law—Roads and Canals—The Iron-clad Navy—A Senator Charged with Bribery—Test Vote on the Amnesty Proclamation—Indemnification for War Losses.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 17.

Mr. HALE, of New-Hampshire, (Union,) rose to a privileged question. He desired to send to the Clerk's desk to be read, a newspaper paragraph, charging with bribery a Senator of New-England, in securing the release for the sum of $3,000, of two prisoners of the Old Capitol. From information received from a Senator, he was led to believe that he (HALE) was the person alluded to. He wished to make a statement of facts, on which the charge was probably founded. He had been called on to defend two individuals confined in the Old Capitol, on charges preferred by the War Department. The first case was that of Dr. BLISS, Superintendent of the Armory-square Hospital. He (HALE) came to Washington, saw the Secretary of War, examined the charges, and expressed the opinion that Dr. BLISS ought to be allowed the liberty of the city. He was accordingly paroled. At the trial of Dr. BLISS he (HALE) was present, as his friend and counsel. The trial resulted in a recommendation that the accused be restored to his place. In Boston, shortly after, he (HALE) met a friend, who said that another person was in the Capitol Prison, and he was anxious to have him (HALE) undertake his defence. Large sums of money were depending, as the pay upon certain steamboats had been retained to wait the issue of the trial. He (HALE) was offered $2,000 as a retainer. It was a large sum, but he was unwilling to undertake the case, on account of the jealousy of the people in objecting to the transaction of any professional business by Congressmen. He consulted with two counsellors of Stafford County, New Hampshire, and asked them to examine carefully the law to see if he (HALE) had the right to undertake the case. Both answered promptly in writing in the affirmative, and one thought it not only his right but his duty. He accepted the retainer and went to Washington. He met a gentleman of high social and professional position, Hon. REVERDY JOHNSON, and asked to consult him on a personal matter. He told Mr. JOHNSON that a person, charged with fraudulent practices and, through his friends, desired him (HALE) to conduct his defence. Mr. JOHNSON seemed surprised, evidently thinking him (HALE) green in asking the question. "Was there any impropriety in undertaking it?" Mr. JOHNSON replied, "Not the least objection under heaven."

Mr. HALE—Is there anything indelicate in the undertaking?

Mr. JOHNSON—Not the slightest in the world. I have been doing it every week. I do not know but that I have been doing it every day.

Mr. HALE continued. The Secretary of War had furnished charges to Mr. BRADY, at New-York, against HUNT, the prisoner, and thought that the trial would be commenced as soon as that of BLISS was through. He (HALE) asked if the purposes of justice required his (HUNT's) close confinement. The Secretary thought not, and sent the prisoner to New-York on parole, with an order to report at the Provost-Marshal's office once every 48 hours. He (HALE) then went to New-York, saw HUNT, and told him what his friends had done. HUNT wished him (HALE) to stand by him (HUNT) through the trial, and agreed to pay him $1,000, which was subsequently paid. These were the facts, and all the facts. If there was any bribery or even indelicacy, it was not done inadvertently, but advisedly and with cautious deliberation.

Mr. JOHNSON, of Maryland, remarked that he recollected distinctly that Mr. HALE called on him, as stated, and reported the conversation materially as stated. In answer to his (HALE's) inquiry whether a Senator was precluded from acting as counsel for a person charged before a Court-martial with fraud, he (JOHNSON) said he saw no legal impediments in the way, or even indelicacy. What he (HALE) had done was no doubt done in consequence of this opinion. Senators do not cease to be lawyers, if called upon for professional services. He saw no difficulty in complying, unless the services involved the neglect of public duties. He (JOHNSON) had repeatedly acted himself upon this assumption. The only question that can arise is, "Is there any law prohibiting it?" There was a law prohibiting Senators from prosecuting claims against the Government before the Court of Claims. He believed that some law expressly excepted cases pending before the Courts. One has a right to go before any other Court in the United States. It was not the intention of the law to prevent a lawyer practicing in his profession if a case of fraud in contracts is brought before a military Court. A lawyer whose services are desired has no right, because he is a member of Congress, to refuse his services, any more than he would in a capital case in the civil Courts.

Mr. HALE submitted the following resolution, which was agreed to:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire whether JOHN P. HALE, a member of this body, in connection with the case of one HUNT, charged with crime by direction of the War Department, has been guilty of any conduct inconsistent with his duty as a Senator, and that they have power to send for persons and papers.

On motion of Mr. WADE, of Ohio, (Union,) it was resolved that the Committee on Finance be instructed to inquire whether any additional force of clerks or messengers is needed in the Executive offices, and to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. LANE, of Kansas, (Union,) it was resolved that the Committee on Post-offices and Post-roads be instructed to inquire into the propriety of establishing what is now known as the New Military Road from Lawrence to Fort Scott as a post-road.

The following resolution, submitted by Mr. WADE, was agreed to:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Navy be directed to communicate to the Senate all official dispatches and papers in the Navy Department relating to actions in which any of the armed vessels have been engaged, and especially the report of Capt. Worden of the combat of the *Monitor* with the *Merrimac*, and the report of Capt. John Rodgers of the attack on Fort Darling, together with the dispatches of Admiral Goldsborough transmitting them. The report of Capt. Worden and Capt. Drayton of the two attacks on Fort McAllister on the Ogeeche, with the dispatches of Rear-Admiral Dupont transmitting them to the Navy Department; the reports of Rear-Admiral Dupont of the attack of the 7th of April, 1863, on the defences of Charleston harbor, together with the reports of Capt. Drayton, of the *Passaic*; Commander Rhind, of the *Keokuk*; Capt. Downes, of the *Nahant*; Capt. John Rodgers, of the *Weehawken*; Capt. Worden, of the *Montauk*; Commander Fairfax, of the *Nantucket*; Commander G. W. Rodgers, of the *Catskill*; Commander Turner, of the *New Ironsides*, and Commander Ammen, of the *Patapsco*, touching their several vessels during that attack, and also the reports of any investigations after the action, with the condition of any of the armed vessels engaged in it, or respecting the repairs found necessary on any of these vessels after these actions, made by their officers or any of them, or any official statement respecting these vessels in connection with the said action, or respecting experiments to test the value of rafts for the removal of obstructions made by these officers or any of them, or by Engineers Lovering, Noble or Stimers; and also the report of Capt. John Rodgers, of the action between the *Weehawken* and *Atlanta*, together with the dispatch of Rear-Admiral Dupont transmitting it, and all other official correspondence with any of these officers with the Navy Department respecting or relating to these actions; and also the officers reports of the sinking of the *Weehawken* inside the bar of Charleston, and the official report of the springing a leak of the *Sangamon* at the Washington Navy-yard on the eve of her departure on a cruise.

Mr. SUMNER, of Massachusetts, (Union,) introduced a bill supplementary to an act to promote the progress of the useful arts. Referred to the Committee on Patents.

Mr. LANE, of Kansas, (Union,) introduced a bill to grant land to the citizens of Kansas to indemnify them for losses.

Mr. HARLAN, of Iowa, (Union,) introduced a bill for the relief of Justices of the Supreme Court in cases therein described.

On motion of Mr. SPRAGUE, of Rhode Island, (Union,) the bounty pay-bill was taken up, and recommitted to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A document was received from the Secretary of the Treasury, communicating the report of Prof. A. D. BACHE, for the year ending Nov. 1, 1863, and the report of THOMAS BROWN, Agent of the Treasury Department in California.

The resolution of the House for an adjournment being taken up,

Mr. SHERMAN moved to amend by striking out the words "this House adjourns," and inserting "the two Houses of Congress." Carried.

A motion of Mr. DOOLITTLE, that it lie on the table, was rejected.

On motion of Mr. SHERMAN it was voted to postpone the consideration of the resolution to Tuesday next—Yeas 31, Nays 11. The following are the Nays: Messrs. Buckalew, Davis, Grimes, Hendricks, Hicks, Lane of Kansas, Powell, Saulsbury, Ten Eyck, Wilkinson and Wright.

The following message was received from the President:

Herewith I lay before you a letter addressed to myself by a committee of gentlemen, representing the Freedman's Aid Societies in Boston, New-York, Philadelphia and Cincinnati. The subject of the letter, as indicated above, is one of great magnitude and importance, and one which these gentlemen of known ability and high character seem to have considered with great care. Not having time to form a mature judgment of my own as to whether the plan they suggest is the best, I submit the whole subject to Congress, deeming that their attention thereto is almost imperatively demanded.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Mr. FOOTE moved that when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to Monday next. Lost.

Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 17.

The Speaker laid before the House the annual report of the Superintendent of the Coast Survey.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, (Union,) from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill making appropriation for Consular and Diplomatic expenses for the year ending with June, 1864.

Mr. RICE, of Massachusetts, (Union,) from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported a joint resolution, which was passed, tendering the thanks of Congress to Capt. JOHN RODGERS, for his eminent skill and zeal in the discharge of his duty.

Mr. COX, of Ohio, (Dem.,) ineffectually sought to introduce an amendment of thanks to Admiral DAVID D. PORTER, for his efficient aid in opening the navigation of the Mississippi.

Mr. DAVIS, of Maryland, (Union,) from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, reported a resolution to print 10,000 copies of the foreign correspondence accompanying the President's Message. Referred to the Committee on Printing.

On motion of Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, (Union,) it was resolved that when the House adjourn to-day it be till Monday next.

On motion of Mr. WILSON, of Iowa, (Union,) the Committee on Invalid Pensions were instructed to inquire what legislation is necessary to secure to the widows and legal representatives of persons who have died, or may hereafter die, after discharged from the military service, from wounds or disabilities received in the line of their duties, the same pensions as are allowed to others.

On motion of Mr. WILSON, the Committee on Public Lands was instructed to inquire and report necessary legislation to enable persons in the naval and military service to avail themselves of the benefit of the Homestead Law.

Mr. PRICE, of Iowa, (Union,) introduced a resolution instructing the Committee on Roads and Canals to inquire into the expediency and necessity of constructing and enlarging the Northern canals in such a way as may be necessary to connect the waters of the Hudson and the Mississippi with the Great Lakes, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. HOLMAN, of Indiana, (Dem.,) moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Motion disagreed to by Yeas, 57, Nays, 96.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. ANDERSON, of Kentucky, (Union,) offered a resolution which was adopted, instructing the Committee on Roads and Canals, to inquire into the expediency of improving the upper Rapids of the Mississippi, commencing with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. McCLURG, of Missouri, (Union,) a resolution was adopted calling for a copy of the report of the Commissioners appointed by the President to examine into the accounts of the officers and men employed in the Western or Missouri Department of the Army.

Mr. ROGERS, of New-Jersey, (Dem.,) gave notice of a bill to increase the pay of privates and non-commissioned officers of the army; also a joint resolution to refund to the States, counties, townships, wards, cities and municipal corporations all moneys paid by them respectively for bounties to volunteers in the Union.

Mr. HARRINGTON, of Indiana, (Dem.,) offered a preamble putting forth the principles of the Constitution in regard to personal liberty, and that the Thirty-seventh Congress passed a law authorizing the President to suspend the privileges of the writ of habeas corpus throughout the United States; further, that *the President has assumed to suspend it in the loyal* States, subjecting the people to arbitrary arrests without due process of law, denying to them the right to a speedy trial, and causing them to languish in prison; and concluding with resolutions denying the power of Congress to confer upon the President the right to suspend the writ of habeas corpus in the loyal States, and asserting that the assumption of the President in these respects is contrary to the progress of the age, despotic and wholly subversive of the elementary principles on which the Government is based. The series concludes with instructions to the Judiciary Committee to report a bill to protect the rights of persons in accordance with the foregoing declarations and the provisions of the Constitution.

The resolutions were rejected—67 against 89.

The House passed the bill for the payment of the invalid and other pensions for the year ending with June, 1865.

On motion of Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, a resolution was adopted, calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for all documents showing the practical operation of the so-called Reciprocity Treaty, which may be in his possession.

Mr. EDGERTON, of Indiana, (Dem.,) submitted the following:

Whereas, The Proclamations of the President of Jan. 1, 1863, and Dec. 8, 1863, in relation to emancipation, impose conditions of pardon and amnesty to persons who have participated in the existing rebellion, as well as conditions precedent to the reestablishment and reorganization of State Government in the States to which said Proclamations apply, which, in the judgment of a large number of faithful citizens, have a tendency to give the rebellion the advantage of a changed issue, and to reinvigorate the otherwise declining insurrection in the South, and to prolong the war; and

Whereas, This House cannot but regard with anxiety the unprecedented and extraordinary claims and assumption of high prerogative by the President in said Proclamation, especially in view of the fact that the President in his inaugural address of the 4th of March, 1861, declared: "I have no purpose, directly or indirectly, to interfere with the institutions in the States where it exists; I believe I have no right to do so, and I have no inclination to do so;" therefore,

Resolved, As the judgment of this House, that the maintenance inviolate of the constitutional powers of Congress, and the right of the States, and especially the right of each State to order and control its own domestic institutions, according to its own judgment exclusively, is essential to the balance of power, on which the perfection and endurance of our political fabric of the Federal Union depends; and we denounce as among the gravest of crimes, the invasion or occupation by armed force, of any State, under the pretext or for the purpose of coercing the people thereof, to modify or abrogate any of their laws or domestic institutions that are consistent with the Constitution of the United States; and we affirm the principle declared in this resolution, to be a law alike to the President and the people of the United States.

Mr. GRINNELL, of Iowa, (Union,) moved to lay it on the table, which was agreed to. Yeas 90, nays 66, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Alley, Allison, Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Ashley, Baldwin of Massachusetts, Beaman, Blaine, Blow, Boutwell, Boyd, Brandegee, Broomall, Brown of West Virginia, Ambrose W. Clarke, Freeman Clarke, Cobb, Cole, Creswell, Davis of Maryland, Davis of New-York, Dawes, Deming, Dixon, Driggs, Dumont, Eliot, Farnsworth, Fenton, Frank, Garfield, Gooch, Grinnell, Hale, Higby, Hooper, Hotchkiss, Hubbard of Iowa, Hubbard of Connecticut, Hulburd, Julian, Kasson, Kelly, Kellogg of Michigan, Kellogg of New-York, Loan, Longyear, Lovejoy, Marvin, McBride, McClurg, McIndoe, Miller of New-York, Moorhead, Morrill, Morris of New-York, Amos Myers, Leonard Myers, Norton, O'Neill of Pennsylvania, Orth, Patterson, Perham, Pike, Pomeroy, Price, Randall of Kentucky, Rice of Massachusetts, Rice of Maine, Rollins of New-Hampshire, Schenck, Scofield, Shannon, Sloan, Smith, Smithers, Spaulding, Stevens, Thayer, Tracy, Van Valkenburgh, Washburne of Illinois, Washburn of Massachusetts, Whaley of West Virginia, Williams, Wilder, Wilson, Windom, Woodbridge.

NAYS—Messrs. James C. Allen, Ancona, Baldwin of Michigan, Bliss, Brooks, Brown of Wisconsin, Cox, Cravens, Dawson, Denison, Eden, Edgerton, Eldridge, Finck, Ganson, Grider, Griswold, Hall, Harding, Harrington, Harris of Illinois, Herrick, Holman, Johnson of Ohio, Kernan, King, Knapp, Law, Lazear, LeBlond, Long, Mallory, Marcy, McDowell, McKinney, Middleton, Miller, Perry, Morris of Ohio, Morrison, Nelson, Noble, O'Neill of Ohio, Pendleton, Perry, Radford, Randall of Pennsylvania, Robinson, Rodgers, Rollins of Missouri, Ross, Scott of Illinois, Scott of Missouri, Steele of New-York, Steele of New-Jersey, Stiles, Strouse, Stuart, Sweat, Voorhees, Wadsworth, Ward, Wheeler, C. A. White, J. W. White, Winfield, Fernando Wood, Yeaman.

Mr. SMITH, of Kentucky, submitted a series of resolutions, of which the following is the first, viz.:

Resolved, That as our country and the very existence of the best Government ever instituted by man, is imperiled by the most causeless and wicked rebellion that the world has ever seen, and believing as we do that the only hope of saving the country and preserving this Government is by the power of the sword, we are for the most vigorous prosecution of the war until the Constitution and laws shall be enforced and obeyed in all parts of the United States; and to that end we oppose any armistice, or intervention, or mediation, or proposition for peace from any quarter so long as there shall be found a rebel in arms against the Government; and we ignore all party names, lines and issues, and recognize but two parties in this war—patriots and traitors.

Mr. CRAVENS moved to lay the resolutions on the table, which was disagreed to, 60 against 100.

The above resolution was then agreed to by a vote of 93 Yeas to 64 Nays, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Alley, Allison, Ames, Arnold, Ashley, Bailey, Baldwin of Massachusetts, Beaman, Blaine, Blow, Boutwell, Boyd, Brandegee, Broomall, Ambrose W. Clark, Cobb, Cole, Creswell, Davis of Maryland, Davis of New-York, Dawes, Deming, Dixon, Donnelly, Driggs, Dumont, Eckley, Eliot, Farnsworth, Fenton, Frank, Garfield, Gooch, Grinnell, Hale, Higby, Hooper, Hotchkiss, Hubbard of Iowa, Hubbard of Connecticut, Hulburd, Jenckes, Kasson, Kelly, Kellogg of Michigan, Kellogg of New-York, Loan, Longyear, Lovejoy, Marvin, McAllister, McBride, McClurg, McIndoe, Miller of New-York, Moorhead, Morrill, Morris of New-York, Amos Myers, Leonard Myers, Norton, Odell, O'Neill of Pennsylvania, Orth, Patterson, Perham, Pike, Pomeroy, Price, Randall of Kentucky, Rice of Massachusetts, Rice of Maine, Rollins of New-Hampshire, Schenck, Scofield, Shannon, Sloan, Smith, Smithers, Spaulding, Stevens, Thayer, Tracy, Van Valkenburgh, Washburne of Illinois, Washburne of Massachusetts, Whaley, Williams, Wilder, Wilson, Windom, Woodbridge, Yeaman.

NAYS—Messrs. James C. Allen, William J. Allen, Ancona, Baldwin of Michigan, Bliss, Brooks, Chanler, Coffroth, Cox, Cravens, Dawson, Denison, Eden, Edgerton, Eldridge, English, Finck, Ganson, Grider, Griswold, Hall, Harding, Harris of Maryland, Harris of Illinois, Herrick, Hutchins, Johnson of Ohio, Kernan, Knapp, Law, LeBlond, Long, Mallory, Marcy, McDowell, McKinney, Middleton, Miller of Pennsylvania, Morris of Ohio, Morrison, Nelson, Noble, O'Neill of Ohio, Pendleton, Perry, Radford, Randall of Pennsylvania, Robinson, Rogers, Rollins of Missouri, Ross, Scott, Steele of New-York, Steele of New-Jersey, Stiles, Strouse, Stuart, Voorhees, Wadsworth, Ward, Wheeler, Chilton A. White, Joseph W. White, Winfield, Fernando Wood.

The vote was next taken on Mr. SMITH's resolution, which was as follows:

Resolved, That we hold it to be the duty of Congress to pass all necessary bills to supply men, and money, and the duty of the people to render every aid in their power to the constituted authorities of the Government in crushing out the rebellion.

This resolution was agreed to by 152 yeas, only one vote against it, viz., BENJAMIN G. HARRIS, of Maryland.

The last resolution in the series read as follows:

Resolved, That our thanks are tendered to our soldiers in the field for their gallantry in defending and upholding the flag of the Union, and defending the great principles dear to every American patriot.

The resolution was agreed to—Yeas, 156. HARRIS, of Maryland, was the only one voting in the negative.

The House then adjourned until Monday.

OUR WASHINGTON DISPATCHES.

SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE N. Y. TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 17.

NEW EFFORT FOR THE EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS.

Gen. HITCHCOCK has gone to Fortress Monroe with final propositions to the rebel authorities for an exchange of prisoners. He will probably offer to exchange man for man, and grade for grade, without reference to the officers or men of the colored regiments. Up to last night it had been decided to commit the whole business of exchange to Gen. BUTLER.

GEN. SICKLES VERSUS GEN. HALLECK.

Gen. SICKLES has asked for a Court of Inquiry upon the charges contained in Gen. HALLECK's report. Other officers have made similar requests.

GEN. SCHOFIELD.

To disembarrass the President, Gen. SCHOFIELD has asked to be relieved from the command of the Department of Missouri. Mr. LINCOLN has signified his intention to send his name again to the Senate as Major-General. He failed to secure a confirmation at the last session. The President has also determined to assign him to another command. ROSECRANS will probably be sent to Missouri.

THE LATE GEN. BUFORD'S COMMISSION.

Gen. BUFORD's commission as Major-General is dated from July 1, 1863.

CAUCUS OF DEMOCRATS AND CONSERVATIVES.

The Democrats and Conservatives are in caucus to-night. They will endeavor to come to an understanding in regard to the policy that shall govern their Congressional action upon the various questions touching Slavery and reconstruction. They are now rather unfraternally divided.

COLORED COOKS FOR HOSPITALS.

Officers of the Medical Department in charge of hospitals for blacks have been authorized to employ as cooks or nurses either males or females, who will be paid by the Medical Purveyor or Storekeeper at the rate of $10 per month. In cases where white females are employed, they will receive forty cents per day. All such persons will also receive one ration per day.

THE RELATIONS OF NEGROES TO THE ARMY.

Maj.-Gen. PECK has by a general order called the careful attention of officers and men in his district to Gen. BUTLER's order No. 46, regulating the enlistment and employment of negroes. He characterizes the series of measures proposed as of high importance, and expects they will receive the cheerful compliance and cooperation, whatever prior associations, preferences or prejudices may have been.

INCREASED PAY TO OFFICERS.

A bill will soon be introduced into Congress, increasing the pay of commissioned officers in the army twenty per cent.

SURGEON-GENERAL HAMMOND.

It is rumored to-night that Surgeon-General HAMMOND has been mustered out of service.

CONCERNING SUPREME COURT JUDGES.

An important bill was introduced into the Senate to-day, providing for the retiring of Judges of the Supreme Court after they reach seventy years.

SEEKERS OF BARS, LEAVES, EAGLES AND STARS.

There are six thousand eight hundred and twenty-five names before the Senate Military Committee for confirmation. The list is increasing. Among the number are over forty Brigadiers and many Major-Generals. An equally great number of applicants are before the President and Secretary of War.

WELL-OILED MACHINERY.

It is not generally known that so complete has the machinery of the internal revenue become that Congress can now provide for the collection of increased taxes upon whisky and tobacco in store quite as well as in manufactories.

DISPATCHES TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 17.

THE JUDGES VISIT THE PRESIDENT.

The customary annual visit of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States to the President, was postponed on account of his illness. But, upon a formal notice that he would be happy to see them to-day, they proceeded in a body to the Executive Mansion and severally paid their respects to him.

IMPORTANT LAW CASE.

The case of CARMACK and RAMSAY against the Government, came up for argument before the First Comptroller of the Treasury yesterday. It involves a claim of about two millions of dollars, with interest, and has been in litigation for about ten years. It is on account of a mail contract for service on the Pacific coast. WM. CURTIS NOYES, Esq., of New-York, opened the argument for the claimants, and will be followed by MILTON WHITNEY, Esq., of Baltimore, (of the firm of WHITNEY & LAMBERT, of Washington,) who is here to reply for the Government. The case will probably occupy the entire week.

INDUCTED TO OFFICE.

CHARLES LEWIS, of Cincinnati, to-day entered upon his duties as Deputy Commissioner of Internal Revenue, to which office he has recently been appointed.

BETTER CONGRESSIONAL REPORTING WANTED.

In the Senate to-day a resolution was adopted, on motion of Mr. DOOLITTLE, instructing the Committee on Printing to inquire as to the best mode of securing accurate synopses of the debates and proceedings of the Senate to be reported by telegraph for the Associated Press. The motion on the part of the Senator was altogether independent of consultation from the gentleman having charge of the Congressional telegraphic reports; but, nevertheless, it is regarded as a friendly act. At present the extended verbatim official reports appear only in the *Globe*, and do not reach the great mass of the people. Hence, doubtless, the movement to ascertain the best mode of accomplishing this object.

TELEGRAPHIC CONVENIENCES.

The telegraphic arrangements in each wing of the Capitol are for the convenience of the Newspaper Press and members of Congress, and messages are thence dispatched to all points.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Naval Movements.

PROGRESS OF LOCAL MEN-OF-WAR.

A visit to the different ship-yards in this vicinity elicits the following information in regard to the progress of our local men-of-war:

The iron-clad *Dunderberg*, building by Mr. Wm. H. Webb, is receiving her plating, several large strips having already been put on the upper part of the hull. The work on the interior of the ship is going ahead satisfactorily, and the ram is perfectly formed. The *Dunderberg* will be completed in about six months.

The new ways on the iron-clad *Dictator*, at the foot of Thirteenth-street, are nearly fitted, and the vessel will be ready to float off about Christmas. While she has been on the stocks a great deal of the interior work has been done, so that she will not have to remain so long in the water without going in commission, as was expected some months ago. Her turret is nearly ready, but is not yet on board. Her machinery is backward in consequence of the strike.

The iron-clad *Puritan*, at Greenpoint, is progressing rather slowly. The strike of the machinists had sadly interfered with the work on her, but a great number of the men went to work yesterday and the day before, having received 15 per cent. advance. Those who demanded 25 per cent. still hold out. The *Puritan* is all plated on the bow, and a great deal of the fastening is already done. The interior of the work is a good deal behindhand, and there is no prospect of the ship being ready for sea for eight or ten months.

The iron-clad *Cohoes* is going on very satisfactorily at Greenpoint, and promises to be one of the most successful of the light-draft monitors. Her keel is laid and her frames are up.

At the yard of Mr. Zeno Secor, in Jersey City, the iron-clads *Tecumseh* and *Manhattan* are at the wharf preparing for sea, and the *Mahopac* is almost ready to launch. The two first named will be ready for service in about three months. The *Tecumseh* is pretty well advanced, although the strike of the machinists has also retarded the progress of her machinery. The iron double-ender *Mosongo* is now assuming the shape of a ship. Her keel is laid, her ribs are up, and a portion of the planking has been commenced. She will be entirely composed of iron.

At Capt. Perrine's Union Works, Williamsburgh, the iron-clad *Nausett*—a light draft monitor—is very far advanced. She will be by all odds the first launched, being now in a fair way for completion by the 1st of March. The work on the vessel is excellently done, her turret and interior arrangements keeping pace with the progress of the hull.

At the Navy-yard, the double-ender *Algonquin* is nearly ready for launching, having been in course of construction for some months. She is, we believe, the last of the fleet of twenty-seven double-enders on the stocks. The new fast steam sloops and the great frigate *Wampanoag* are going ahead steadily.

The fleet of wooden double-enders at this port in charge of Admiral Gregory was progressing very favorably, when the strike of the machinists stopped work on nearly all of them. Four or five are nearly ready for sea, but they have been put back weeks and months. The *Shamrock*, *Tallapoosa*, *Chicopee*, *Otsego*, *Lenapee*, *Mendota*, *Chenango*, *Mattabesset* and others are almost ready for service. The machinists have come to work within a few weeks.

DISASTER TO THE QUINTARD IRON-CLAD BATTERY ONONDAGA.

The official trial of the Quintard iron-clad battery *Onondaga* having been ordered a few days since, steam was got up on that vessel for the purpose of making the usual ninety-four hours' experiment. For two or three days the engines worked very favorably, making as many revolutions per minute as was expected. Before the conclusion of the test, however, an accident occurred to the vessel, which it is feared will retard her fitness for sea service materially. One of her wheels, it is supposed, picked up a beam, or in some other way became entangled with some object or other, and broke. This is the only idea that can be formed of the damage done, as the movements of the vessel became partially paralyzed. The exact nature of the disaster cannot be discovered until the vessel is docked at the Navy-yard, where it is said she will go this week. The *Onondaga* is not one of the Ericsson iron-clads, having been contracted for by Mr. George Quintard, proprietor of the Morgan Iron Works. She was commenced almost at the same time as the iron-clad *Passaic*; but in consequence of alterations suggested by the Navy Department, she has been delayed thus long. She is now nearly ready for sea, however, and will probably be in a condition to make her regular trial trip in four or five weeks. The vessel is well got up, and will prove a valuable acquisition to our iron-clad navy. Several officers have been ordered to her, amongst others, Capt. Melancthon Smith, who has been appointed her Commander. He has reported for duty to Admiral Gregory, and is awaiting the completion of his ship.

THE ITALIAN SHIP RE D'ITALIA.

This splendid ship, which has been for some months in course of completion by Mr. Wm. H. Webb, her builder, is now ready for sea and will probably leave this harbor this week, or next, on her trial trip. This trip will be one of the most important experiments ever made in American waters. In Europe all vessels built like the *Re d'Italia*—that is, ordinarily shaped ships with armored sides—have rolled so heavily that it was almost impossible for officers or crew to live on board of them. The trial trip of the *Re d'Italia* will demonstrate whether this shortcoming arose from the imperfections of local construction, or whether it is an essential characteristic of all vessels built after the European model. In building the *Re d'Italia* Mr. Webb has shown a specimen of maritime architecture, which has not been excelled in this country. The armament of this vessel is now on board, and final preparations for her temporary cruise are nearly ended. She will go some two or three hundred miles to sea, for the purpose of falling in with the breakers, and for demonstrating her ability to weather them. It is quite easy to perceive in naval circles a very profound curiosity as to the results of this trial trip.

VESSELS OFFERED TO THE GOVERNMENT.

The following vessels were offered to the Government during the week ending last Saturday: Edwin L. Brady, New-York, offers to sell the side-wheel tug *S. E. Brown*, for $20,000. The Globe Works, offer to construct two or more steam tugboats, of 350 tons measurement, the hulls of iron and deck beams of wood, in nine, ten, eleven and twelve months respectively, from date of contract, for the sum of $128,000 each. Wallace, Brothers & Co., New-York, offer to sell three new side-wheel steamers; terms not stated. W. G. Brenner, Baltimore, proposes to sell the steamtug *Mary* for $10,000, or to charter her at $40 per day. W. W. Davis & J. L. Balance, Baltimore, offer to charter the steamer *John F. Rodman* at $100 per day, Government to furnish fuel and water. Wallace, Bros. & Co., New-York, offer to sell three new side-wheel steamers, lying ready for sea at Dover, England; no terms given.

AFFAIRS AT THE WASHINGTON NAVY-YARD.

Two vessels are undergoing repairs on the stocks at the Washington Navy-yard—the *Baltimore* and the *Mount Washington*. They have both been in the service from the beginning of the rebellion. There are three gunboats lying out in the stream whose machinery is being refitted—the *Sassacus*, *Primrose*, and the *Itasca*. The *Itasca* is a veteran vessel. She was in the Mississippi squadron under Admiral Farragut, and broke the famous cable at Fort Jackson and St. Philip, with which the confident rebels expected to bar the progress of our fleet. She received some eighty-odd testimonials of the skillful gunnery of the enemy, and was prevented from accompanying the consorts up the river by an unlucky shot in her boiler. She was then commanded by Capt. Caldwell, but was refitted lately, and placed in charge of Capt. Brown. A slight accident in her machinery caused her to be ordered to Washington.

ARRIVAL OF THE STORESHIP COURIER.

The United States storeship *Courier*, S. C. Gray, commanding, from New-Orleans Nov. 24, arrived last evening. She had strong northerly gales most of the passage. The following is a list of her officers: Acting Master Commanding, S. C. Gray; Executive Officer and Sailing Master, T. Ellems; Acting Assistant Paymaster, Henry B. Brown; Acting Ensigns, Henry Raney, Geo. Gerrard, Edwin S. Pratt, Edward C. Bowers; Master's Mates, Chas. H. Sawyer, Lewis Geoltse; Paymaster's Clerk, E. Plummer Brown.

Admiral Farragut Afloat Again.

THE FLAGSHIP HARTFORD IN COMMISSION—THE VESSEL COMPLETELY REPAIRED.

Some time back Admiral Farragut has been in this City by orders of the Navy Department awaiting the completion of his flagship, the *Hartford*, which, it will be remembered, returned here some months since, after one of the most active naval campaigns of the war. On her arrival, the Navy Department ordered a board of officers to survey her, for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of repairs necessary. The result of the survey showed that she was terribly hacked, and needed a very extensive overhauling, which would require some months to finish. She was immediately put in dock, and all the facilities of the Navy-yard brought into operation to repair her. Some of her masts were condemned, and new ones were put in their places. Her bulwarks were sadly shattered with balls; many rotten planks were on her decks; her bottom was very foul and somewhat out of repair, and her engines sadly needed looking after. In fact, the entire ship from keel to mast-head [illegible] repairs [illegible] although [illegible] much [illegible] could be accomplished.

The *Hartford* is one of the five sloops-of-war built for the navy in 1858. She was built at Boston, and after her completion was sent, we believe, to the East Indies as the flagship of the squadron. On the breaking out of the war she was recalled to this country, and has been actively engaged ever since. The nature of her services may be inferred from the fact that she participated in the following battles: Fort Jackson, Fort St. Philip, Fort Chalmette, Vicksburgh, (passed down,) Grand Gulf, (passed up,) Grand Gulf, (passed down,) New-Orleans, Vicksburgh, (passed up,) ram *Arkansas*, Port Hudson, Warrenton, (four times,) Baton Rouge, Donaldsonville.

In the above engagements she was struck in the hull, masts, spars and rigging no less than 240 times by round shot and shell, and innumerable times by minié and rifle balls. She was nineteen months in actual service on the Mississippi, having sailed from Philadelphia in January, 1862. Admiral Farragut hoisted his flag for the first time on board of her while she was lying at Newcastle, Delaware. As soon as the Admiral was on board the vessel proceeded to Fortress Monroe, where she received her final orders, and about the 1st of February sailed for her destination, touching at Port Royal for coal. She had hardly arrived out when the Gulf squadron was divided into two parts, known as the East and West Gulf Squadrons—the latter being the one assigned to Admiral Farragut. Early in March, 1862, he entered the Mississippi River, occupied Pilot Town at the Southwest Pass, and established a military depot. He soon obtained possession of the delta of the Mississippi, although not without considerable annoyance from the rebel land batteries. In April, accompanied by Porter's mortar flotilla, the squadron advanced up the river and took a position a short distance below Forts Jackson and St. Philip. Active operations immediately commenced, and a heavy bombardment was opened which lasted six days and five nights. On the 24th, Farragut made his brilliant dash by the forts, encountering the concentrated fire of 200 guns and a rebel flotilla of about 20 vessels. At noon of the following day, after passing battery after battery, the *Hartford* dropped anchor off New-Orleans, having the entire city under her guns. Her subsequent career up the Mississippi is already too well known to repeat. The following is a list of the Admiral's personal Staff on board the *Hartford*: Rear-Admiral, David Glasgow Farragut; Fleet Captain, Percival Drayton; Flag Lieutenant, John C. Watson; Admiral's Secretary, Edward C. Gabaudan.

The following is a list of the officers of the ship: Commodore, James S. Palmer; Lieutenant-Commanding, L. W. Kimberly; Lieutenant, W. B. Tyson; Surgeon, J. J. Gibson; Assistant-Surgeon, James Hugg; Paymaster, W. T. Meredith; Acting-Master, F. G. Prior; Chaplain, F. W. Taylor; Marine officers, Capt. Charles Heywood, Lieut. ——; Ensigns, H. T. Grafton, C. D. Jones and L. R. P. Adams; Acting Ensigns, W. H. Whiting and D. G. B. Glidden; Acting Master's Mates, W. H. Childs, G. R. Avery, W. H. Hathorne and J. J. Fincill; Chief Engineer, Thomas Williamson; First Assistant, do.; E. B. Latch, Second Assistant, do.; John Wilson, Acting Third Assistants do., C. M. Burchard and Alfred Hoyt; Boatswain, Robert Dixon; Gunner, J. L. Staple; Carpenter, O. F. Stinson.

The Seventh Ward Murder.

INQUEST ON THE BODY OF THE DECEASED.

Coroner Wildey held an inquest yesterday at No. 34 Jackson-street on the body of John Dougherty, the man who was murdered on Wednesday evening by Alexander Ferguson, as published in the Times of Thursday. The testimony in the case went to show that between 7 and 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening the prisoner entered the rooms of the deceased, situated on the upper floor of No. 34 Jackson-street; he pretended to deceased that he went there to find his wife; high words ensued between the two, and soon prisoner ran down to his own premises on the floor below, obtained a large knife, and returned with it to deceased's rooms. A scuffle then took place, but it does not appear that any injury was inflicted with the knife. Ferguson again went down, and this time he obtained a navy sword. With this he met deceased at the door of his own room, and gave him a stab on the inside of his left thigh, nearly severing the femoral artery. He also stabbed him twice in the head.

Dr. George B. Bouton, who made the *post-mortem* examination, testified that the sword entered the thigh to the distance of five inches. The Doctor further stated that the wound was not immediately fatal, except from neglect, the victim being allowed to bleed to death.

The jury rendered the following verdict: "We find that the deceased came to his death from stab wounds at the hands of Alexander Ferguson, on the 16th of December, inst." Officer Bern, of the Thirteenth Precinct, arrested Ferguson soon after the occurrence. In answer to questions put to him by the Coroner, the accused stated that he was 26 years of age, resided at No. 34 Jackson-street, and was by occupation a machinist, employed at the Brooklyn Navy-yard. He further said: "What I did was done in self-defence." The Coroner thereupon committed him to the Tombs to await the action of the Grand Jury. The deceased was 49 years old, a native of Ireland, and by occupation a laborer. He has left a wife and several children.

Congratulations to the Mayor Elect.

The Executive Committee of the Citizens' Association of the Eighteenth Ward called last evening on Mr. Gunther, the Mayor elect, and presented a complimentary address to which Mr. Gunther made the following reply:

NEW-YORK, Dec. 14, 1863.

To Eighteenth Ward Citizens' Association:

Gentlemen: In reply to your address, accept my thanks for the congratulations and sympathy so warmly expressed therein.

It is my earnest desire to oppose and defeat if possible every scheme which has for its object the advancement of private interests at the expense of the City; but I find myself powerless to thwart the combinations already formed for such purposes, and can only pray, with you, that the Legislature of our State may look down in pity on our tax-ridden Metropolis, and stay the tide of corruption which is sweeping every avenue and lane of our City.

With adequate powers, I am willing to be held responsible for the good government of municipal affairs, and if I fail in accomplishing what the citizens of my, and all other Wards, demand at my hands, it will be for no want of good intentions on my part.

I am, with great respect, your obedient servant,

C. GODFREY GUNTHER.

Court of General Sessions.

Before Recorder Hoffman.

The case of Wm. Haughy, indicted for having in his possession counterfeit money, with intent to alter the same, was continued in this Court yesterday. It appeared from the testimony that, in April last the Police of the Eighteenth Precinct received information that the prisoner, who was keeping a feed-store in the Third-avenue, near Twentieth-street, had counterfeit money in his possession, and, on going to his place of business, they found him just driving up from down town with a load of hay. One of the Policemen told him he wished to speak with him a moment, whereupon the prisoner got off the load of hay, and on reaching the ground was discovered to take from his pocket a parcel, which he thrust into one of the bales of hay. He was immediately arrested, and the parcel, on being examined, was found to contain several counterfeit bills on the Central Bank of Troy and other banks. An examination of the prisoner's premises discovered another roll of counterfeits concealed in a bale of hay, and also several counterfeit 25-cent coins, and various implements for manufacturing the same.

The defence claim that it is a "put up" case against the prisoner, intended to screen the really guilty parties, one of whom is the step-son of the prisoner, who was also arrested, but who has since forfeited his bail and run away, and the other the principal witness against Haughy.

The evidence in the case was closed yesterday, and it will be summed up this morning.

A. Oakey Hall, for the people; H. L. Clinton and Ex-Judge Stuart, for the defence.

Probable Alteration of the Excise Law.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, Dec. 13, 1863.

We could hardly lay before the readers of the Times more interesting matter than the alterations of the Excise Law, recommended by Commissioner Lewis, of the Internal Revenue Bureau. The views of this able and accomplished official upon all subjects connected with his department have so great authority, that it is altogether probable that his recommendations will become law at an early period of this session of Congress.

Tobacco.—Tax the leaf in the hands of the producer, and allow no drawback on its exportation in that shape. If any drawback is to be allowed, it shall be only on the manufactured article. The tax on tobacco in the leaf, with all the stems on, is deliberately named at twenty cents per pound. A light tax, varying from five to ten or twelve cents per pound additional, is suggested for the manufactured commodity. A drawback on this from ten to fifteen cents is intimated to be sufficient for the domestic manufacturer in the foreign market.

Domestic Wines.—Twenty cents a gallon is but one cent and a quarter a half pint—a quantity usually sufficient for one day's allowance for a moderate drinker. Three times that tax would not be sensibly felt in a proportionate increase of price.

Dividends of Life Insurance Companies.—The return of the surplus paid to the insured is called a "dividend," but has nothing in common with the dividends of banks or joint stock companies. The income tax should not, therefore, on principle, be assessed upon them. The dividend tax, in itself inapplicable to these companies, and almost incapable of collection. I can discover no sufficient reason for perpetuating.

Policies of Life Insurance.—A stamp on every policy, of fifty cents for each thousand dollars insured, may be levied without amounting to a compensation discouraging [illegible].

Distilled Spirits.—[illegible] Congress a tax of not less than sixty cents per gallon.

Malt.—Under adequate regulations a tax of thirty cents per bushel. All the exception of malt is continued, and only the liquor produced by it is taxed, the revenue might be considerably increased by a tax of one dollar and fifty cents per barrel.

Petroleum Oil.—A moderate tax like that now levied upon the distilled oil, or one heavier laid upon it in the crude state, and a repeal of the drawback now allowed on the export of illuminating oil.

Mineral Waters and other Drinks.—Two cents per dozen of bottles holding a half pint or less; and when sold in bottles of greater capacity, four cents per dozen for each dozen of bottles holding a pint or less; and when sold in bottles of still greater capacity than a pint, one cent per bottle. When sold in any other way, a duty of five per cent. ad valorem.

Luxuries.—Those mentioned in section seventy-seven of the Excise law, in schedule A, might be enlarged, so as to embrace gold watches, pianos, guitars, dogs, looking-glasses beyond a certain size, diamonds, emeralds, and other precious stones, kept for ornament or use.

Cotton.—Is now subjected to a duty of one-half of one cent per pound—quadruple the rate. So insignificant a sum can be added to the price in the foreign market, without affecting the demand or exciting dangerous competition.

Thread and Yarn.—Subject thread and yarn manufactured and sold, or delivered for being knit or woven into fabrics, to three per cent. ad valorem, the same as if such thread or yarn were sold in the market.

Boards, Shingles, Building Materials, &c., &c.—Subject boards planed, tongued and grooved, shingles, bricks, Roman cement, calcined plaster, draining tiles, dressed building stone, printers' ink, soaps, charts, periodical publications other than newspapers, and engravers' work to an ad valorem duty.

Auction Sales.—The tax on auction sales will bear to be increased to one-fourth of one per cent.

Slaughtered Animals.—On each head of horned cattle, more than eight weeks old, slaughtered for sale, a tax of thirty cents, and on calves of eight weeks old and less, a tax of five cents per head. On slaughtered swine, exceeding fifty pounds in weight, ten cents per head.

Six Hundred Dollar Limitation, and Railroad Companies.—A number of railroad companies, and other large operators, who manufacture locomotive engines, railroad cars, paper for printing, and many other articles consumed by them in the prosecution of their business, embracing in the aggregate the value of millions, have insisted that the six hundred dollar limitation has application only to manufactures that are sold, not those consumed by the manufacturers themselves; and that construction has been adopted in several litigated cases. It is not consistent with the general spirit of the legislation of Congress to discriminate in favor of corporate institutions or private firms, wielding enormous capital, to the prejudice of small manufacturers; all productions or manufactures used or consumed by the producers or manufacturers thereof, being articles of commercial value, and which would be taxable if sold, should be in like manner taxable when used or consumed.

Tailors', Milliners' and Shoemakers' Work.—The act of 3d of March last exempted from duty tailors', milliners', dressmakers' and shoemakers' work, made to order as custom work, to the amount of one thousand dollars, and for any excess beyond that amount levied a duty of one per cent. on the value. Tax all articles made to order beyond $600 in value, and not otherwise provided for, three per cent. ad valorem.

Incomes.—The provision allowing a deduction for rent paid for dwelling-houses should be stricken from the law, and owners of such houses, residing in them, charged with their rental value as income. A change in the rate of taxation of large incomes may be properly made, subjecting incomes over five thousand dollars ($5,000,) and less than ten thousand dollars, ($10,000,) in amount to four per cent. tax, and those over ten thousand dollars, ($10,000,) and less than twenty thousand dollars, ($20,000,) to five per cent., and those exceeding twenty thousand dollars, ($20,000,) to five and a half or six per cent.

Foreign Consuls.—Put them on the same footing as foreign nations put our Consuls.

Receipts for Payment of Money.—Subject receipts for payment of money at one-half the duty now required on checks and sight drafts.

Assignments, Bills of Sale.—Assignments and transfers of personal property other than instruments of evidence now provided for, by any writing, such as assignments in trust, deeds, for the benefit of creditors or others, bills of sale and documents of like nature may well bear a stamp proportioned to the value of the property conveyed.

Eligible Subjects of Stamp Duty.—Indentures of apprenticeship, articles of partnership, attested copies of instruments made evidence by law, warrants of distress, writs of execution, letters patent for inventions, leases of personal property, certificates of copyright, commissions appointing persons to offices, certificates of admission of attorneys or counsellors to practice law, diplomas of medical schools, colleges and universities, and certificates of marriage; all written or printed instruments not otherwise provided for, when offered in evidence on the trial or hearing of any civil case at law, before any court or judicial magistrate.

Tax Doubled on Notes, Drafts, &c.—I recommend that the stamp duties on promissory notes, inland bills, drafts and orders, and also mortgages and personal bonds for the payment of certain sums of money be doubled, and that the maximum of these to be required in any case be also doubled; that the stamp duties on agreements or contracts other than those specified in the schedule be ten cents; that the words "exceeding twenty dollars" be stricken from the clause in schedule B relating to bank checks, drafts or orders, and also from the paragraph of the sixth section of the amendatory act; that the stamp duties on life, marine and inland insurance policies be doubled; that those on leases be proportioned to the rent reserved and the length of the term; that to letters of attorney to do single acts, such as enter satisfaction on a judgment or mortgage, execute a paper or document other than a conveyance, serve a notice or process to appear to a suit or action, to receive prize money or wages of labor, be assigned a moderate duty more appropriate to the nature of the service to be performed than that now provided; and that writs, summonses, and other processes for the commencement of actions before justices of the peace, in cases of civil jurisdiction, and writs of execution, also issued by such justices for the seizure of goods, be made subject to a small stamp duty.

Lotteries, and Lottery Tickets.—The opinion, clearly subversive of the intent of the Act of Congress, expressed by the District Court of New-Jersey, that the provisions of the statute, requiring a license to prosecute the business of a lottery ticket dealer, cannot be enforced in a State where lotteries are forbidden by State authority, should be corrected by an Act of Congress. A moderate tax on the sale of lottery tickets (and by moderate I do not mean what would be so deemed, when laid on necessaries, but in application to hurtful luxuries) would be paid, but the present excessive one has been, and will continue to be evaded, and thus to the moral evil of gambling will be added the demoralizing consequences created by habitual breaches of the law.

Railroad and Steamboat Passengers.—The eighteenth section imposes a tax of three per cent. upon the passenger receipts of railroad and steamboat companies. Suggested that the tonnage receipts of these companies be subjected to a tax rated as taxes of an analagous character.

Revenue stamps are required to be affixed to dispatches sent by telegraph companies, and a tax, analagous to that on railroad companies, is assessed on the receipts of steamboats, ferry-boats, bridge, express and gas companies.

Bank Circulation.—Substitute two and two-fifths of one per cent. for one per cent. tax on circulation; and let one-eighth of one per cent., the tax on deposits, be increased to one-fifth of one per cent.

Sales at Brokers' Boards.—Ought to contribute to the revenue for the same reason that exacts a tax from sales by auction. A tax of one-twentieth of one per cent. is suggested.

Legacies and Distributive Shares.—Estates passing by bequest, distribution, devise or descent lineally, might well pay a duty of one per cent., and those transmitted by the same channels to brothers and sisters would bear a half per cent. additional; those to which more remote kindred become entitled might be somewhat more heavily charged than now. Tax the interests of those described in the second, third, fourth and fifth classes of the one hundred and eleventh sections at the rates respectively of three, five and seven per cent. Limit the exemption of property passing to husband or wife as low at least as $5,000, leaving all beyond that amount subject to a tax, say, of two per cent.

Licenses.—Conveyances, mercantile agencies, persons whose business it is to buy or sell farm produce for others, and who may be denominated produce brokers, owners and keepers of horses which shall be entered for competition in any public trial of speed, may be justly required to pay license taxes. The same may be said of persons whose business it is to contract for the letting of houses or other real estate, or to collect rent for others; amending the fourteenth section of the sixty-fourth section by striking from it the word "rent."

To Raise the Estimated $150,000,000.—A tax of two per cent. additional on the general manufactures of the country would, I think, produce the required sum—probably a few millions more.

Large Arrival of Coal.—The largest arrival of coal at Rondout in any single day since the Delaware and Hudson Canal has been in operation, took place on Thursday, the 3d inst., when sixty-two boats, belonging to the old Company, arrived there with 7,800 tons of coal.

LAW REPORTS.

Court Calendar—This Day.

Supreme Court—Circuit.—*Part I.*—Nos. Oyer and Terminer. *Part II.*—Nos.—short causes—4402, 4530, 4128, 3148. *Part III.*—short causes—4113, 4461, 4117, 4093, 4541, 4201, 4493, 4471, 4773, 4491½, 378½.

Superior Court.—*Part I.*—Nos. 2491, 3133, 1183, 2279, 2281, 2283, 3139, 3141, 3146, 3147, 3140, 3155, 3157. *Part II.*—Nos. 736, 2888, 2008, 2274, 2276, 2280, 2282, 2028, 2030, 2034, 2040, 2042, 2044, 2048. Special Term.—Nos. 330, 302, 176.

The Doctrine of Merger—Usury as Affecting Collateral Contracts.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Before Justice Ingraham.

Caleb H. Shipman vs. Thomas T. Ferris impleaded, &c.—This was an action to foreclose a mortgage for $10,000 on property in Madison-avenue and to enforce an alleged liability of Ferris as a guarantor. Several defences were interposed—among others usury and a claim that the mortgage was in fact extinguished, inasmuch as the plaintiff had accepted a deed of the equity of redemption of the mortgaged premises. The plaintiff now offered to show that Ferris, who now pleaded usury, had for years been in the habit of receiving usurious interest. This evidence was excluded by the Court. It was also claimed on the part of plaintiff that Ferris being a mere guarantor was not entitled to interpose the defence of usury. That this right belonged to the borrower alone. As against Ferris the plaintiff claimed judgment for the sum actually advanced with legal interest. The case has been on trial for two days, and the evidence being all in, it was submitted on written points.

Decision reserved.

John Owen and J. Francis Walton for plaintiff; Callahan & McGurck and E. Sanray for defendant.

THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

[OFFICIAL.]

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED SESSION—Thursday, Dec. 17, 1863. }
One o'clock P. M. }

Present—William Walsh, President, Aldermen Fox, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long.

The minutes of December fifteen were read and approved.

Alderman Jeremiah was called to the chair.

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Jeremiah—

Remonstrance of property owners against the construction of a sewer in Third-avenue, between One Hundred and Eighteenth and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street.

Which was referred to Committee on Sewers.

By Alderman Chipp—

Bill of J. N. Voorhees for fitting up poll in the Tenth Election District, Ninth Ward.

Which was referred to Comptroller with power.

By Alderman Jeremiah—

Bill of John Van Horn, for fitting up poll in the Fourth Election District, Seventeenth Ward.

Which was referred to Comptroller, with power.

By the same—

Bill of Alexander Shipman, for fitting up poll in the Thirteenth Election District, Seventeenth Ward.

Which was referred to Comptroller, with power.

By Alderman Hardy—

Bill of P. H. Cole, for fitting up poll in the Fourth Election District, Twentieth Ward.

Which was referred to Comptroller, with power.

By Alderman Ryers—

Bill of W. Tellinger, for stove furnished Third District, Tenth Ward.

Which was referred to Comptroller, with power.

By Alderman Ryers—

Bill of Peter Young, for fitting up Seventh District, Sixteenth Ward.

Bill of P. O'Reilly, for fitting up Fourth District, Sixteenth Ward.

Which was referred to Comptroller with power.

By Alderman Mitchell—

Bill of Charles Rock and W. S. Lyon, for services rendered in the receiving of various regiments.

Which was laid over.

By the President—

Bill of John Duffy, for fitting up polls of the Ninth District of the Eighteenth Ward.

Which was referred to Comptroller with power.

By Alderman Hardy—

Bill of William C. Faulhaber, for fitting up polls of the Fifth District of the Twentieth Ward.

Which was referred to Comptroller with power.

By the same—

Bill of Joseph Meyers, for fitting up polls of the Eleventh District of the Twentieth Ward.

Which was referred to Comptroller with power.

MOTIONS.

Alderman Long moved that when the Board adjourn it do adjourn to meet to-morrow, eighteenth instant, at one o'clock P. M.

As an amendment, Alderman Ryers moved that when the Board adjourn it do adjourn to meet Monday next, twenty-first instant, at one o'clock P. M.

Which was accepted by Alderman Long, and the question being put thereon,

The same was carried.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Fox—

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for a location for Hook and Ladder Company number Four, said location to be within the following boundaries: Broadway on the east, Washington-street on the west, Cortlandt-street on the north and Cedar-street on the south.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Long—

Resolved, That the salary of the Clerk in the Bureau of Lamps and Gas in the Street Department, be and the same is hereby fixed at fifteen hundred dollars per annum, the same to date from May first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

Which was referred to Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Ottiwell—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Joseph A. Andrews to place a show-case in front of his place of business, number four hundred and seven Broadway, the same to remain during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was adopted.

By Alderman McCool—

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby directed to advertise for a new location for Hook and Ladder Company number Six, the same to be located within the boundaries of Prince and Fourth streets, Greene and Thompson streets.

Which was referred to Committee on Fire Department.

By Alderman Fox—

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for a suitable location for the use of Hose Company number Twenty.

Which was laid over.

MOTIONS RESUMED.

Alderman Hardy moved to discharge Committee on Sewers, from consideration of a resolution from the Board of Councilmen, to build a sewer in Tenth-avenue, between Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth streets.

Which was carried.

The paper was then laid over.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Fire Department presented a report in favor of concurring to purchase a location for Hose Company number Twenty-one.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Finance presented a report in favor of donating a sum sufficient to pay an assessment on the property of the American Female Guardian Society.

Which was laid over.

MOTIONS RESUMED.

Alderman Hall moved to suspend the regular order of business, in order to take up for consideration

PAPERS FROM BOARD OF COUNCILMEN.

Which was carried.

Resolution, to pay the sister of the late John F. Culligan the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for services rendered to the Committee of the Board of Councilmen for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, by the said John F. Culligan during his life-time.

Which was laid over.

PAPERS HERETOFORE LAID OVER.

Report of Committee on Sewers, concurring with the Board of Councilmen, to build a sewer in Seventieth-street, between Third and Fourth avenues.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Henry, Ottiwell, Long—11.

Resolution of Board of Aldermen, that the accompanying ordinance for the paving of Third-avenue, from Fifty-sixth to Eighty-sixth streets, with trap-block, the City to pay half the expense thereof, and the remainder to be assessed upon the property benefitted, be and is hereby adopted, and that the ordinance for said pavement passed December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, be and it is hereby repealed.

By Board of Councilmen amended, by striking out from the resolution and ordinance the words "the City to pay half the expense thereof, and the remainder to be assessed upon the property benefitted thereby."

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Long—10.

Negative—Aldermen Mitchell, Ottiwell—2.

Resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of the clerks, messenger, sergeant-at-arms and doorkeeper of the New-York City Canvassers, as passed by the said Board of City Canvassers, the amount so ordered to be paid to be taken from the appropriation for elections, or any account having an unexpended balance sufficient to pay the same.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—14.

Resolution, that the salary of the First Auditor in the Finance Department be raised to two thousand five hundred dollars per year, and the Assistant Auditor to one thousand five hundred dollars per year, to take effect on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Farley, Long—12.

Negative—Alderman Jeremiah—1.

Report of Committee on Finance of Board of Councilmen, to pay Terence McGuire for extra work on contract for regulating Seventy-ninth-street.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—14.

Bill of Patrick Keating, amounting to twenty dollars, for furnishing carriage to Colonel Buckingham.

Which was laid over.

Resolution that the salary of the First Assistant Clerk of the City Inspector be increased to the sum of two thousand dollars per annum, to take effect from and after the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, the amount of such increase to be charged to and taken from the appropriations for City Contingencies.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—12.

Negative—Aldermen Hall, Jeremiah—2.

Subsequently reconsidered and laid over.

Resolution of Board of Councilmen, that the vacant lots on the north side of Forty-third-street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinances therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Ottiwell, Long—12.

Report of Committee on Roads in favor of adopting resolution that the sidewalk on the Second-avenue, from One Hundred and Eighth to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street, be flagged a space four feet wide through the centre of the same; also, to set curb and gutter stones, the same to be done under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Hardy, Ottiwell, Long—12.

Report of Committee on Fire Department, in favor of concurring with the Board of Councilmen, in adopting resolution that the Street Commissioner be directed to advertise for a tender to Engine Company number Thirty-four.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy—12.

Negative—Aldermen Mitchell, Ottiwell—2.

Resolution that the vacant lots in Fifteenth-street, between the Sixth and Seventh avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Ottiwell, Long—12.

Bill of the New-York Courier, amounting to —— dollars, for advertising the Annual Parade of the Fire Department.

Which was ordered paid by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, the President, Henry, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—13.

Resolution, that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of John H. Williams, Junior, for the sum of one hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents, in payment for furnishing frames, &c., for engraved resolutions, as per bill annexed, and charge the same to appropriations for City Contingencies.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Ryers, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—13.

Report of Committee on Assessments from Board of Councilmen, donating to F. and M. Schaeffer a sum sufficient to pay an erroneous assessment.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—13.

Petition of James Conklin and others to be relieved from assessment for sewer in Fifty-eighth-street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, with resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of James Conklin and others, petitioners named, in the schedule annexed, for one-half the amount placed opposite their names, and assessed against the property named therein, for the construction of a sewer in Fifty-eighth-street, between the Seventh and Eighth avenues, said amount to be charged to the account of donations.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, Henry, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—11.

Negative—The President—1.

Which was subsequently reconsidered and laid over.

MOTIONS RESUMED.

Alderman Mitchell moved a reconsideration of the vote taken fixing the next stated session of the Board on Monday next.

Which was carried.

He then moved that when the Board adjourns, it do adjourn to meet to-morrow, the eighteenth instant, at one o'clock P. M.

Which was carried.

PAPERS HERETOFORE LAID OVER RESUMED.

Report of Committee on Finance, in favor of adopting resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Samuel S. Constant, one of the directors of the German Baptist Church in West Forty-fifth-street, in the sum of two hundred and ninety-nine dollars and fifty cents, as a donation to be applied in payment of an assessment on the property of the said church, for the work of building a sewer in Forty-fifth-street, from near Ninth to Tenth avenues, the same to be charged by the Comptroller to the account of donations.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, the President, Henry, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—13.

Resolution of Board of Councilmen that the salaries of the Messengers in all the departments of the City Government, except the Legislative Departments, be increased to one thousand dollars per annum, the amount of said increase to be taken from the appropriation for City Contingencies, to take effect from the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three; also, that the salaries of the Assistant Messengers be increased to the sum of nine hundred dollars, to date from the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—13.

Bill of Sunday Times for advertising Hackley contract, City Inspector's Report, &c., &c.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—13.

Report of Committee on Wharves, Piers and Slips in favor of adopting resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Lewis W. Phillips for the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars for dredging out slip at the foot of Twenty-first-street, North River, and charge the same to account of City Contingencies.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Hardy, Ottiwell, Long—11.

Bill of Conklin and Butts, for coaches furnished for the funeral of Lieutenant Herbert, amounting to one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and twenty cents.

Which was lost on a division by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Long—12.

Negative—Alderman Ottiwell—1.

Which was subsequently reconsidered, and laid over.

Report of Committee on Croton Aqueduct Department in favor of adopting resolution that a track of bridge stone be laid from the house of Engine Company number Forty-eight, from Twenty-fifth-street to the Eighth-avenue, immediately, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Board.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Hardy, Long—11.

Negative—Alderman Ottiwell—1.

Resolution of Board of Councilmen, that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant for the sum of five hundred dollars each, in favor of the Presidents of the Boards of Aldermen and Councilmen, for their services as members of the Commissioners of Health, and also for the same amount each in serving as the Chairmen of the Committees on Finance of both Boards, for their services as members of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and charge the same to their appropriate accounts.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—13.

Resolution, That the salaries of the officers and clerks in the Auditing Bureau of the Finance Department be increased as follows:

Auditor of Accounts to five thousand dollars per annum.

First Assistant Auditor of Accounts to three thousand five hundred dollars per annum.

Second Assistant Auditor of Accounts to two thousand five hundred dollars per annum.

First General Clerk to two thousand dollars per annum.

Second General Clerk to two thousand dollars per annum.

Third General Clerk to one thousand five hundred dollars per annum.

Resolved, That article four, chapter three, section forty-three be amended as follows: There shall be an additional clerk appointed, at a salary of one thousand five hundred dollars per annum, and a messenger at a salary of eight hundred dollars, and that such increase of salaries and the appointment of such clerk and messenger to date from January first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and the amount of such increase to be taken from the appropriation for City Contingencies.

Which was lost on a division by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Ryers, Hardy, Ottiwell, Long—11.

Negative—Aldermen Mitchell, Jeremiah, Masterson—3.

Subsequently reconsidered and laid over.

Resolution, that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Benjamin F. Brady, for the sum of two hundred and ten dollars, in payment for engrossing several series of resolutions, as per bill rendered, and charge the same to appropriation for City Contingencies.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—14.

Resolution of Board of Councilmen, that the Street Commissioner be directed to cause such necessary repairs to be made forthwith to Manhattan steam engine number Eight, as will place the said engine in perfect order, at an expense not to exceed two hundred dollars.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Long—13.

Resolution that the Street Commissioner be directed to alter and fit up the premises number two hundred and eighty-four West Seventeenth-street, as a temporary location for Engine Company number Twenty-four, at an expense not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Long—13.

Report of Committee on National Affairs, in favor of adopting resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Wannemaker's Band for the sum of sixty-nine dollars for music furnished for the funeral of General Kearny, and charge the amount to the account of City Contingencies.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, Hall, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Long—13.

Resolution to pay expenses incurred by Special Committee, in conveying the body of Colonel Bryan to Albany, appropriating two hundred and fifty dollars therefor.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen September twenty-first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

Board of Councilmen October fifth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, amended by striking out the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, and inserting four hundred and fifty dollars.

Which was concurred in.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Fox, The President, Henry, McCool, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Ryers, Jeremiah, Hardy, Masterson, Ottiwell, Long—13.

On motion, the Board then adjourned, and the Chairman pro tem. announced that the Board stood adjourned until to-morrow, eighteenth instant, at one o'clock P. M.

D. T. VALENTINE, Clerk.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange....Dec. 17, 1863.

[illegible]

SECOND BOARD.

[illegible]

PUBLIC BOARD—1 P. M.

[illegible]

PUBLIC BOARD—3½ P. M.

[illegible]

THURSDAY, Dec. 17—P. M.

The subscriptions to the National Bank of Five Millions Capital closed this afternoon at the office of the United States Trust Company—the entire capital of 50,000 shares of $100 each being secured, and to one of the wealthiest and most influential bodies of Stockholders ever associated in this City for Banking purposes.

The Treasury Office received to-day five millions legal-tender, from the Department at Washington. There was also received for the Popular Loan:

On subscriptions direct	$650,050
From Loan Agent	942,800
Total	$1,592,850

Among the subscriptions direct is one of $200,000 by a City Insurance Company, and two others of $50,000, and $75,000 by individual capitalists. The Customs for the day are $115,000.

The supply of Money at 7 ₩ cent. is still on the increase, and on Government collateral an abatement of 1 ₩ cent. is made from the ruling rate by private lenders, who desire to place their balances at call on prime security. The price of Gold is comparatively steady, and the market rather firm in the afternoon. The export demand is on a fair scale. The *Scotia* yesterday took out $450,000.

The market for Stocks to-day is the strongest and most buoyant of new speculative excitement. The turn of prices since Saturday last, has taken the Board and the Street generally by surprise, so much so that the market has been keenly watched for an equally sudden break down. This afternoon, however, there is apparently more confidence in the rise, judging from the wider range which the orders, without limit as to price, took at the Second Board on the Railway and Miscellaneous Share list. After the Board broke up at 3 o'clock, the eagerness to buy was still manifested. The advance in Rock Island was carried up to 117¾@118¼ ₩ cent., while fresh attention was directed to Hudson River and Michigan Southern old stock, each of which rose 1@1¼ ₩ cent. New-York Central and Erie were about 1 ₩ cent. above the best sales of yesterday, and Reading sold at 115 ₩ cent., ex-dividend, equal to 123 ₩ cent. yesterday, the 7 ₩ cent. scrip dividend being equal to 8 ₩ cent. in cash. The Government Stocks and Treasury paper continued strong, and a large business was again done at the Board and on the Street in twelve months' Certificates. The miscellaneous shares, like Canton and Cumberland, participated in the buoyancy of the Railways, and sold at a large advance on Wednesday's prices. The Cumberland movement, based, it is said, on some important changes in the finances and direction of the Company, is one of the largest rises on the Stock since the early history of this singularly eventful coal speculation, in 1852–'53.

The receipts at the office of the Assistant-Treasurer of the United States to-day, were: Total receipts, $6,959,000 84, including for Customs, $115,000; payments, $1,749,636 46; balance, $25,432,737 12.

The Butchers' and Drovers' Bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 ₩ cent., free

of Government tax, payable on the 1st of January.

At 4 o'clock [illegible] improvement [illegible] ment on the Street, Hudson rising to 130 ₩ cent.; Michigan Southern to 86½, and further sales of Rock Island at 119@118½ ₩ cent. The following prices were made in comparison with Wednesday night—the market firm:

	Wed.	Thur.		Wed.	Thur.
Gold Coin	150¾	150¾	Mich. Central	128½	128¼
U. S. 6s, 1881	108¾	108¾	Mich. Southern	81	86
N. Y. Central	133½	134¼	Mich. Guarant'd	136	140
Erie	108	108¾	Illinois Cen.	119¾	120¾
Erie Preferred	102	103	Pittsburgh	109¾	109¾
Hudson	134½	[illegible]	Fort Wayne	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pacific Mail	219	216	Rock Island	119½	118¾
Harlem	101	[illegible]	Galena	107¾	108¾
Canton	34	36	Reading	121¾	115¾ x.d.
Trans. Cer. new	86¾	88¾	Quicksilver	64	64
Toledo	119¾	119¾	Cum'land Coal	45¾	46
Northwest	[illegible]	[illegible]	Mariposa	35	36

The following bids were made to-day for the City Bank Shares. The January Dividend of the Hanover Bank is 4 ₩ cent.

New-York	120	Bank of the Republic	102
Manhattan	140	Bank of N. America	107
Merchants'	101	Hanover	100
America	125	Irving	95
City	147	Metropolitan	113
Butchers & Drovers'	120	People's	104
National	104	Corn Exchange	107
Merchants' Exch.	99	Continental	101
Seventh Ward	135	Commonwealth	102¾
State of New-York	109	Park	[illegible]
Commerce	105	New-York Exchange	120
Am. Exchange	107		

The following bids were made to-day for the Railway Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s	[illegible]	Illinois Cen. 7s	119
N. Y. Cen. 6s, Real Est.	101	Al. & T. H. 1st prf.	90½
N. Y. Cen. 6s, Sub.	101	Al. & T. H. 2ds, inc.	82
N. Y. Cen. 7s	[illegible]	Chi. & N. W. S. F.	[illegible]
N. Y. Cen. 7s	[illegible]	Chi. & N. W. 1st mtg.	[illegible]
Erie firsts	[illegible]	Chi. & N. W. Ext.	[illegible]
Erie seconds	[illegible]	Chi. & N. W. 2ds	[illegible]
Erie thirds	[illegible]	Tol. & Wab. 1sts	[illegible]
Erie fourths	[illegible]	Tol. & Wab. seconds	[illegible]
Erie fifths	[illegible]	M. & P. du Ch. 1sts	107
Buff., N. Y. & E. 1sts, '77	104	Gal. & Chi. Ex.	112
Hudson R. 1sts	[illegible]	Gal. & Chi. 2ds	[illegible]
Har. seconds	[illegible]	Chi. & R. I. 1sts	107
Har. 3ds	100½	Clev. & Tol. S. F.	110
Mich. Cen. 8s	120	Pitts., Ft. W. & C. 2ds	103½
Mich. C. New issue	[illegible]	Pitts., Ft. W. & C. 3ds	94
Chi. B. & Q. 8s	122½	Clev. & Pitts. 4ths	86
Michigan S. seconds	104½	Miss. & Mo. L. G.	89
N. Ind. Goshen L.	[illegible]	Chi. & Alton 1sts	103
Michigan S. S. F.	108	Chic. & Alton, Income	90

The coal transported over the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad for last week was as follows:

	Week. Tons Cwt.	Year. Tons Cwt.
Shipped North	4,031 05	312,365 05
Shipped South	11,159 07	854,872 13
Total	15,190 11	1,166,678 18

For corresponding time last year:

	Week. Tons Cwt.	Year. Tons Cwt.
Shipped North	4,947 17	316,629 07
Shipped South	15,021 14	742,776 14
Total	20,369 13	1,059,405 01
Increase		107,273 17

The statements of the Banks of the three principal cities of the Union for the last week compare with the previous one, and the corresponding time of 1862, as follows:

	Loans.	Deposits.	Specie.	Circulation.
N. Y'k, Dec. 12	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Boston, Dec. 14	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Phil., Dec. 14	35,798,383	[illegible]	4,167,144	[illegible]
Total	$282,633,383	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Last week	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Last year	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Attention is directed to the card of Messrs. Keiser & Son, Money Brokers, No. 41 Pine-street. It will be found in our advertising columns.

The *Commercial* of this afternoon has the following notice of a new railroad grant by the Common Council, but not yet approved by the Mayor. The singularity of the concession is that the new line may use the existing roads in either of the avenues on the east side of the town:

"A resolution adopted by the Common Council is now awaiting the Mayor's signature, giving to Mr. J. P. Mills, proprietor of the Bull's Head line of stages, the liberty to run passenger cars on all the routes where he now has the right to run his omnibuses. The privilege will be a very important one to Mr. Mills, as his route extends from the Brooklyn ferries up the Bowery to Third-avenue, and thence to Twenty-fourth-street. A strong opposition to the carrying out of the measure has been organized by the Third-avenue and other Railway Companies, and the Mayor has been urged to refuse his signature to the resolution, on the ground that the city will otherwise be involved in expensive litigation. If the Mayor should *not think fit to veto the paper, the question as to the power of the Corporation, independent of the Legislature,* to grant permission to lay a line of rails through the public streets, will at once be brought before the Courts."

Five Million National Bank.

In City of New-York, subscriptions closed on Thursday, Dec. 17, 1863, the entire capital of $5,000,000 being subscribed by the following stockholders:

Geo. Opdyke.	Young, Schultz & Co.
David Dows.	Wm. E. Strong.
B. H. Hutton.	Williams & Guion.
Joseph Stuart.	William Birdsall, Jr.
Peter Cooper.	Charles Curtis.
Henry W. T. Mali.	John H. Tallman.
Freeman Clark.	George D. Phelps.
O. DeForest Grant.	Isaac Bears.
Daniel Drew.	Lot Jones.
Wm. H. Webb.	Amos Hard.
Elisha Riggs.	Geo. W. Eglesten.
Frederick A. Chapman.	Rufus L. Lord.
Jno. Dows Mairs.	S. E. Getty.
Augustus W. Culler.	F. B. Holcomb.
S. B. Chittenden.	W. E. Sugden.
Fred. R. Groat.	A. Champion.
A. B. Orr.	Wm. Churchill.
Aaron Arnold.	S. Church.
Charles H. Mount.	Geo. V. Hacker.
Wm. M. Evarts.	Marcues & Baltzer.
Wm. James Quinlan.	Reynes, Bros. & Co.
A. M. Richmond.	Israel Corse.
Hector Morrison.	John Kemp.
W. T. Gleason.	Elijah T. Brown.
Henry A. Garrett.	D. Green.
V. D. Mairs.	Myron Clark.
Ira Gage Barns.	J. J. Merriam.
Levi P. Morton.	James W. Terry.
Henry Brugman.	W. A. Slingerland.
Effingham Townsend.	*Nathan Burroughs.*
Albert E. Church.	*James Hoy.*
Edward Willner.	Ketchum, Son & Co.
T. B. Butler.	Morris Ketchum.
Robt. P. Getty.	Clark, Dodge & Co.
J. P. Morgan & Co.	E. W. Clark & Co., Phila.
Hiedenman & Payson.	Vermilye & Co.
C. H. Dabney.	Hiram Sibley.
Lathrop, Ludington & Co.	Uriah J. Smith.
Hallgarten & Herzfeld.	Chas. D. Anthony.
David M. Farnam.	G. S. Robbins & Son.
Charles G. Landon.	Truman Beckwith.
Francis Skiddy.	Livermore, Clews & Co.
Hoyt, Sprague & Co.	Joshua Hanna.
Edward Whitehouse.	Fisk & Hatch.
Jay Cooke & Co., Phila.	Wm. Whitwright, Jr.
Jay Cooke & Co., Wash'n.	Bailey & Southard.
John H. Morrison.	Slade & Colby.
L. P. Stone.	John Slade.
C. J. Starr.	Fisher, Donnelly & Co.
E. Starr.	Garner & Co.
Isaac Hyde.	Theodore Polhemus, Jr.
L. I. Pomeroy.	Stuart & Bro., Philadelp'a.
Wm. H. Mellen.	J. & J. Stuart & Co.
Eben Sutton.	Wm. Hellman.
Wm. C. Lambert.	Luther R. Graves.
Wm. G. Smith.	Henry G. Root.
Rich'd Irvin & Co.	Wm. Gay.
F. H. Cossitt.	Alex. B. Mott.
Wm. Tyson.	Dennis Jones.
Howell L. Williams.	Sturges & Co.
Frost & Forrest.	Mrs. S. E. Lobdell.
Wm. Lottimer & Co.	Ampi Dows.
W. S. Gurnee.	C. E. Detmold.
Waldo Hutchins.	M. J. Berry.
Terry Bros.	Wm. A. Gibson.
Joseph Lawrence.	Philo Brown.
John A. Stewart.	Wm. S. Opdyke.
Benj. F. Romaine.	Robert Earl.
Joseph L. Savage.	William F. Lee.
S. T. Clark.	Adelia B. Althause.
Catharine E. Smith.	Benj. Bullock's Sons, Phila.
E. W. Colman.	David Miles, Phila.
G. Francis Opdyke.	John E. Graeff, Phila.
H. E. Moring.	Henry, Scott & Co., Phila.
W. Irving Adams.	William Badger, Phila.
H. T. Morgan.	W. E. Stewart, Phila.
Wm. H. Priest.	Evans & Hassall, Phila.
Tyler & Co., Philadelphia.	Blakely Wilson.
E. W. Clark & Co., Phila.	Franklin Newman.
Chas. T. Yerkes, Phila.	Harriet P. Smith.
T. Ralston Smith, Phila.	Henry Ellsworth.
J. B. Elliott, Philadelphia.	Marcus Spring.
Henry Perkins.	Walter F. Brush.
James B. Smith, Jr.	Mitchell, Ladd & Co.
Wm. H. Fry.	Samuel Engle.
Charles S. Graham.	T. P. Bogert.
J. M. Ceballos.	Ezra White.
S. H. Alden.	John B. Seaman.
Henry B. Smith.	S. M. Buckingham.
Connecticut Mutual Life.	Chas. Zion & Co.
Hartford Fire.	Thos. F. Mason.
Samuel Thus.	Chas. Lamson.
J. G. Briggs.	P. P. Page.
Lewis Roberts.	Philip Nathan.
C. B. Camp.	Jno. L. Rusbrouck.
Brithnold & Wilson.	Jno. W. Champlin.
Filer & Wood.	P. H. Town.
W. H. Wall.	Jno. F. Cook.
Henry Blood.	E. R. Livermore.
W. H. Marston.	Jno. D. Jones.
Van Schaick & Hassett.	Edwin C. Estes.
C. A. Vanvalkenburgh.	F. B. Huise.
J. M. Fuller.	S. C. Able.

GENERAL MARKETS.

New-York, Thursday, Dec. 17, 1863—6 P. M.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been: 37 bbls. Ashes, 13,757 bbls. Flour, 60 bbls. and 2,825 bags Corn Meal, 602 bags Buckwheat Flour, 4,827 bushels Corn, 145 bushels Rye, 76 bushels Barley, 6,060 bushels Oats, 1,365 bushels Malt, 2,073 pkgs. Provisions, and 1,124 bbls. Whisky.

ASHES—Sales 30 bbls., including Pots at $8 50, and Pearls at $9 75 ₩ 100 lbs.

COFFEE—Is in moderate request, at full prices; Java, at 40c.@44c.; Ceylon, 35c.; Rio, 32½c.@35c.; Laguayra, 33c.@35c.; Maracaibo, 33½c.@35c.; St. Domingo, 30c.@30½c. ₩ lb.

COTTON—Is in less demand and less buoyant; Middlings at 82c.@82½c., chiefly at 82c. ₩ lb. Sales and resales, since our last, 1,250 bales.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour has been in moderate demand, especially shipping brands, which opened a shade higher, but closed tamely. Sales since our last, 13,800 bbls., including Superfine State and Western, at $6 05@$6 25; poor to choice extra State, at $6 40@$6 60, chiefly at $6 45@$6 55; round-hoop extra Ohio, shipping brands, at $7 45@$7 55, chiefly at $7 45@$7 50 ₩ bbl.

Superfine State and Western	$6 05	@$6 25
Extra State	6 40	@ 6 60
Extra Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, &c.	7 00	@ 9 25
Extra Ohio, round-hoop, ship'g br'ds.	7 45	@ 7 55
Extra Ohio, trade and family brands.	7 60	@ 9 25
Extra Genesee	6 85	@ 9 25
Poor to very choice extra Missouri	7 00	@11 50

Southern Flour is quiet to-day; sales since our last, 850 bbls., at $7 40@$8 10 for poor to good superfine; $8 15@$10 75 for fancy to very choice extra brands, ₩ bbl. Canadian Flour is unchanged; sales 600 bbls. extra, at $6 90@$9, ₩ bbl. Rye Flour continues in limited demand, at $5 75@$6 90 ₩ bbl. Corn Meal rules quiet at $4 70@$5 75 for Jersey, $5 20 for common State, $6 10 for Brandywine, and $4 15 for Marsh's Caloric, ₩ bbl. Sales, 170 bbls.

GRAIN—Wheat has been quite active to-day, shippers and speculators having purchased freely, and prices have advanced 1c.@2c. ₩ bushel. Sales since our last, 164,000 bushels, including White Western, $1 77@$1 83, the lower rate for old and weavily; Amber Western, $1 60@$1 63; Red Western, poor to choice, at $1 52@$1 56; Amber Iowa, Wisconsin and Green Bay, at $1 45@$1 50, in store, and $1 50@$1 51 afloat, now held higher; Milwaukee Club, at *$1 44@$1 49; Chicago Spring at $1 43@$1 48; Old do.* at $1 30; White State at $1 82; Red do. at $1 59 ₩ bush. Corn continues active, speculators buying freely and prices have again advanced 2c.@3c. ₩ bushel. Sales were made of 127,000 bushels, at $1 28@$1 30, closing at $1 30 for Mixed Western, in store; $1 30 for do. afloat, for White Western, now held higher; $1 24 for new White Southern, and $1 18 for do. do. Jersey ₩ bushel. Rye is quiet at $1 30@$1 40 for poor to choice Western and Northern ₩ bushel. Oats are in less request at drooping prices. We quote Canada at 88c.@90c.; Western at 89c.@90½c.; State at 88c.@91c., the latter an extreme rate, ₩ bushel. Barley is in demand at $1 36@$1 55, an extreme, ₩ bushel. Sales 4,300 bushels. Barley Malt continues in request at $1 58@$1 60 ₩ bushel. Sales 1,400 bushels.

Breadstuffs Trade of Milwaukee, Jan. 1, to Dec. 12.

	Receipts. 1862.	Receipts. 1863.	Shipments. 1862.	Shipments. 1863.
Flour, bbls.	410,838	483,796	557,004	701,797
Wheat, bush.	12,587,621	14,067,782	12,784,120	14,878,[illegible]
Oats, bush.	812,244	821,634	832,161	76,871
Corn, bush.	344,836	262,856	30,290	6,064
Barley, bush.	197,784	132,761	81,182	16,846
Rye, bush.	162,965	158,623	82,649	122,032

HAY—North River Bale is in fair request, at $1 20@$1 40 ₩ 100 lbs.

HOPS—Continue in moderate demand, at 20c.@30c. for poor to choice New, and 17c.@23c. for last year's crop, according to quality, ₩ lb.

NAVAL STORES—Continue quiet and depressed, including Spirits Turpentine, at $2 90@$2 95, chiefly at $2 92½@$2 95 ₩ gallon; Resin, $32@$45 ₩ 280 lbs.; Tar, $11 50@$14 50 ₩ bbl.; City Pitch, $20@$25 ₩ bbl.

OILS—Have been in slack request to-day at our quotations. We quote Crude Whale, $1 08@$1 12; Crude Sperm at $1 60; Bleached Winter Whale at $1 22½@$1 25. Unbleached Sperm, at $1 [illegible]; Linseed, at $1 45@$1 47; No. 1 Lard at $1@$1 10; City Red at 78c.@80c.; Olive at $1 90@$2 ₩ gallon; and $6 87½@$7 50 and $4 50@$4 75 for pints and quarts; Crude Petroleum at 28c.@31c.; Refined do. at 50c.@52c. free, and 45c.@46c. in bond, ₩ gallon. Receipts of Petroleum 1,008 bbls.

PROVISIONS—Pork has been in fair demand at essentially unchanged prices. Sales have been made since our last of 2,800 bbls., at $18 25@$18 37½, chiefly at $18 25, for New Mess; $17@$17 25 for Old Mess; $19 for new Western Prime Mess; $16 62½@$16 87½ for Thin Mess; $20@$21 for Mess—this season's packing; $14 25@$14 87½ for Sour Mess, and $12 25@$13 for Prime, ₩ bbl. Cut Meats are in fair demand at 9½c.@11½c. for Hams, and 7c.@8½c. for Shoulders, ₩ lb. Sales, 240 pkgs. and 75,000 lbs. Bacon is in moderate request, at 10c.@11½c. according to quality, ₩ lb. Sales, 600 boxes. Dressed Hogs continue in fair demand at 7½c.@7¾c. ₩ lb. Lard is unaltered; sales 1,000 tcs. and bbls., at 11½c.@12½c.—the latter an extreme rate—₩ lb. Beef rules quiet; sales 300 bbls., at $6@$8 for Extra Mess, and $12@$13 75 for plain Mess ₩ bbl. Prime Mess $24 50@$26, the latter for choice City; India Mess $26 50@$29 ₩ tierce; sales 240 tierces. Beef Hams $17 50@$19 ₩ bbl.; sales 150 bbls. Butter is in less request, *at the same rates, for poor to choice Western, and* 15c.@32c. for common to choice State, ₩ lb. Cheese is in moderate demand at 13c.@16c. ₩ lb.

RICE—Continues in very moderate demand, including East India at $7@$8 ₩ 100 lbs.

SALT—Has been in moderate demand at steady prices, including Liverpool Ground at $1 75; do. Fine, $3 40@$2 90 ₩ sack; Turks Island, 48c.@50c. ₩ bushel.

SUGARS—Have been inactive to-day, at former prices. Sales since our last 467 hhds., including New-Orleans at 13¾c.@14c.; Porto Rico at 12¾c.@13c., and Cuba at 12c.@12¾c., 150 boxes Havana at 12c.@13c. ₩ lb. Refined are in moderate demand at 13¾c.@17¼c. ₩ lb.

TALLOW—Sales to-day 250,000 lbs., at 11¾c.@12¼c., and 300 packages Grease, at 10c.@10¾c. ₩ lb.

WHISKY—Sales, since our last, 900 bbls., at 88c.@89c., and some E. & D. at 90c., closing heavily.

FREIGHTS—Have been more active to-day at previous rates. For Liverpool—2,500 bbls. Flour, at 1s. 9d. ₩ bbl.; 48,000 bushels Wheat at 5d.@5¼d. by sailing vessel, and 7d. by steamer, ₩ bushel; 2,500 pkgs. Provisions, at 20s.@25s. by sailing vessel, and 30s.@40s. by steamer; 400 tcs. Beef, at 3s. 9d.@5s. ₩ tc.; 200 hhds. Tallow at 20s. ₩ ton. For London—500 bbls. Flour at 2s. ₩ bbl.; 14,000 bushels Wheat on private terms; 3,500 pkgs. Provisions at 25s.@27s. 6d. by steamer, ₩ ton; 800 bales Hops at ½d. by sailing vessel, and ¾d. by steamer, ₩ lb.; also, by steamer, 250 bbls. Pork, at 5s. ₩ bbl., and 500 tcs. Beef at 6s. 6d.@7s. ₩ bbl. For Bristol—500 bbls. Flour at 2s. ₩ bbl.

Movements of European Steamers.

FROM AMERICA.

Virginia	Dec. 19	New-York	Liverpool.
Etna	Dec. 19	New-York	Liverpool.
Bremen	Dec. 19	New-York	Southampton.
Canada	Dec. 23	Boston	Liverpool.
Hecla	Dec. 22	New-York	Liverpool.
Hammonia	Dec. 26	New-York	*Southampton.*
Hibernia	Dec. 30	Boston	*Liverpool.*
Australasian	Dec. 30	New-York	Liverpool.
Asia	Jan. 1	Boston	Liverpool.
Germania	Jan. 9	New-York	Southampton.
China	Jan. 13	New-York	Liverpool.
Africa	Jan. 20	Boston	Liverpool.
Bavaria	Jan. 23	New-York	Southampton.
Saxonia	Feb. 6	New-York	Southampton.

FROM EUROPE.

Hecla	Dec. 1	Liverpool	New-York.
Hammonia	Dec. 1	Southampton	New-York.
City of Washingt'n	Dec. 2	Liverpool	New-York.
Nova Scotian	Dec. 3	Liverpool	Portland.
Hibernia	Dec. 5	Liverpool	Boston.
Australasian	Dec. 5	Liverpool	New-York.
Edinburgh	Dec. 9	Liverpool	New-York.
Asia	Dec. 12	Liverpool	Boston.
Germania	Dec. 15	Southampton	New-York.
Adriatic	Dec. 15	Liverpool	New-York.
China	Dec. 19	Liverpool	New-York.
Africa	Dec. 26	Liverpool	Boston.
Bavaria	Dec. 29	Southampton	New-York.
Anglia	Jan. 1	Liverpool	Boston.

For New-Orleans, Havana, &c.

Columbia	*Dec. 19*	*New-York*	*New-Orleans.*
Geo. Cromwell	Dec. 19	New-York	New-Orleans.
Morning Star	Dec. 26	New-York	New-Orleans.
Corsica	Jan. 1	*New-York*	*Nassau.*

*via Havana.

For California.

Illinois ... Dec. 23 ... New-York ... Nicaragua.

European Mails.

The mails for Europe via Portland by the *America* will close on Friday at 1:30 P. M.

The mails for Great Britain and the Continent by the *Bremen* will close on Saturday at 10:30 A. M.

The mails for Ireland by the *Etna* will close on Saturday at 10:30 A. M.

For Havana, New-Orleans, &c.

The mails for Havana by the *Columbia* will close on Saturday at 2 P. M.

The mails for New-Orleans by the *George Cromwell* will close on Saturday at 2 P. M.

Departure of Domestic Mails.

North Mails close at ... 5 A. M. and 3:30 P. M.
South Mails close at ... 5 A. M. 4:30 and 10 P. M.
Western Mails (via Erie Railroad) 5 A. M. and 3:30 P. M.
Eastern Mails at ... 5 A. M., 1:30 and 3:30 P. M.
Mails for California, Oregon, Washington and the Sandwich Islands close daily at the New-York Post-office at 5½ A. M. and 3½ P. M.
On Sunday all Mails close at 1:30 P. M.

WEDDING CARDS.

French Note Papers, Ball and Party Cards, Silver Plates, &c., at J. Everdell's, 302 Broadway, cor. Duane-st. For Specimens by mail, send 2 stamps.

TO SKATE-STRAP MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS.—SPRAGUE'S PATENT LEVER BUCKLE, warranted to be in all respects the best and cheapest lever buckle in use. Manufacturers will do well to examine these buckles before using any other. Sample sent by mail to any part of the country. For sale by F. H. SHEPARD, No. 267 BROADWAY.

FINANCIAL.

FIVE-TWENTY BONDS.

OFFICE OF FISK & HATCH, U. S. FIVE-TWENTY LOAN AGENTS, NO. 38 WALL-ST.

The Government are now delivering the FIVE-TWENTY BONDS *so rapidly that we shall hereafter be prepared to fill orders without the delay heretofore experienced.*

We shall endeavor to keep a supply of all denominations on hand for *immediate delivery.*

We also buy and sell at market rates:
U. S. COUPON AND REGISTERED BONDS of 1881.
U. S. 7.30 TREASURY NOTES.
U. S. ONE YEAR CERTIFICATES.
U. S. QUARTERMASTERS' CHECKS.
U. S. QUARTERMASTERS' AND ORDNANCE VOUCHERS, and all GOVERNMENT issues.

BANKS, SAVINGS BANKS and Investors will find us prepared at all times to furnish desirable lots of these Securities in large or small amounts.

DEPOSITS received and COLLECTIONS made on favorable terms. STOCKS, BONDS and GOLD bought and sold on commission.

FISK & HATCH, BANKERS and DEALERS in GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, NO. 38 WALL-ST.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE. DISTRICT OF INDIANA.

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree and venditioni exponas to me issued, and directed by the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Indiana, I will, on the 4th day of January, 1864, at the office of the Treasurer of State, in the City of Indianapolis, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. of said day, expose to sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidders, for cash, 108,000 of Indiana five per cent. State Stocks, the numbers of the certificates of which, and the respective amounts thereof, are as follows:

No. of Cert.	Amount.	No. of Cert.	Amount.	No. of Cert.	Amount.
878	$5,000	1360	$2,000	1362	$2,000
1283	4,000	1362	5,000	1363	1,000
1356	3,000	1462	3,000	1560	5,000
1576	3,000	1722	7,000	1964	8,000
1722	2,000	1782	3,000	2107	11,000
224	3,000	225	2,000	492	4,000
615	7,000	227	5,000	1172	5,000
1320	5,000				
Total					$108,000

Each certificate will be sold separately and in the order above given, but in no event will either of said certificates be struck off and sold by me for less than seventy-five per cent. of the par value thereof. Certificates of purchase will be by me executed and delivered to the purchasers, which under and by the terms of the decree, will entitle the purchasers to have the said certificates of stock purchased regularly transferred as by the laws of Indiana provided, and new certificates issued as in case of a regular transfer.

Dec. 4, 1863. D. G. ROSE, U. S. Marshal.

OFFICE OF THE CENTRAL COAL MINING AND MANUFACTURING CO., NO. 21 TRINITY BUILDING, NEW-YORK.

At the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Central Coal Mining and Manufacturing Company, held on the 12th inst., the following-named gentlemen were duly elected Directors for the ensuing year:
CHRISTIAN E. DETMOLD, JAMES DAYTON,
JAMES HOY, HENRY L. GILBERT,
GEORGE OPDYKE, HENRY CLEWS,
HENRY DELAFIELD, THOMAS PATON,
GUSTAV KUTTER.
And at a subsequent meeting of the Directors, held on the same day, C. E. DETMOLD, Esq., was unanimously elected President, and Mr. FRANK F. WHITE appointed Secretary and Treasurer.
F. F. WHITE, Secretary.
New-York, Dec. 12, 1863.

AGENCY FOR THE SALE OF U. S. FIVE-TWENTY BONDS, Office of PARKE & BOWDOIN, No. 76 Wall-st., corner of Pearl-st. U. S. 5-20 6 PER CENT. BONDS

In all denominations constantly on hand, and ready for immediate delivery, at PAR and interest. To Brokers and Bankers the usual commission allowed. Stocks and Bonds bought and sold on commission at the Brokers' Board. Mercantile Paper and Loans negotiated.

CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA MINING STOCKS.

The undersigned will buy and sell on commission, through their San Francisco House, all Stocks pertaining to the Pacific Coast. Orders promptly filled. Quotations constantly received by telegraph, and furnished parties giving their address.
ROSS, DEMPSTER & CO., No. 24 Liberty-st., New-York.

SIMONSON & BROWN offer their services at the Board of Brokers, for the purchase or sale of Stocks, Bonds, Government Securities and Gold. No. 23½ EXCHANGE-PLACE.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO., NO. 59 WALL-ST. ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THE COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

EDWARD KING offers his services at the Board of Brokers for the purchase or sale of *STOCKS, BONDS AND GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.* NO. 4 HANOVER-ST.

OFFICE OF EXCELSIOR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 130 BROADWAY, New-York, Dec. 12, 1863.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, held at the Office this day, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, This Company has called upon its stockholders for such amounts as would make its capital equal to the amount fixed by its charter; and *whereas,* Some of said stockholders have refused or neglected to pay the amount so called for, after notice; now, be it

Resolved, That this Company require the return of the original certificates of stock held by each and all of the stockholders, who have so neglected or refused, on or before the 31st of December inst.

Resolved, That new certificates for such numbers of shares of stock as the said stockholders may be entitled to, at fifty per cent. of the par value thereof, be issued in lieu of the original certificates required to be returned respectively.

Resolved, That the foregoing preamble and resolutions be published in two newspapers of the City of New-York daily, commencing the 14th of December inst., until and including the 31st of December inst.
EUGENE PLUNKETT, President.
SAMUEL M. CRAFT, Secretary.

IN THE MATTER OF THE KNICKERBOCKER BANK.—NOTICE—The United States Trust Company of New-York, as Receiver of the said Bank, having already redeemed or provided for all the circulating notes issued, and for all the other indebtedness of the said Bank, will (in pursuance of an order of the Supreme Court, made on the 10th day of December inst.) on and after the 15th day of December inst., declare and pay at their office, No. 46 Wall-st., a final dividend in said matter. Such dividend will be 40 per cent. on the following claims: First, on the amount paid by the stockholders on the assessment of their stock; second, the amount paid by stockholders by way of compromise, under the order of Court on the assessment of their stock; and, third, the amount paid by purchasers for the judgment against stockholders, which were sold at *public auction by order of the Court.*
JOHN A. STEWART, Secretary.
New-York, Dec. 14, 1863.

MILWAUKEE AND PRAIRIE DU CHIEN RAILROAD.—TO THE BONDHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY.—Your Trustees hereby inform and notify you that the Company have made the payment, $17,[illegible], due the Sinking Fund, Oct. 1, 1863, and that we have designated by lot $17,000 of said Bonds for payment as required by the Trust Deed, viz.: Nos. 3,475, 763, 765, 1,006, 1,160, 1,419, 1,474, 1,600, 1,979, 1,900, 2,136, 2,[illegible], 2,[illegible], 2,[illegible], 2,341, of $1,000 each, and Nos. 2,432, 2,[illegible], of $500 each.

The holders of the Bonds thus designated for payment can receive their money at par and interest upon surrender of the Bonds to us at the office of W. Schall & Co., No. 18 Exchange-place, City of New-York.

The above designated Bonds will not draw interest after January 1, 1864.

The next payment, $17,500, will be due April 1, 1864.
W. SCHALL, N. A. COWDRY, } Trustees.

OFFICE OF MARIPOSA COMPANY, No. 31 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following Bonds of the Mariposa Company, of one thousand dollars each, were this day drawn by lot for redemption, from the whole number of fifteen hundred, viz.: Nos. [illegible] ... and that the same, together with the six months' accrued interest, will be paid in gold on the 1st day of January next, on presentation at the office of the Company. Bonds must be presented within ten days after the first day of January next, under penalty of forfeiture of the privilege of redemption from the sinking fund under this drawing.
MORRIS KETCHUM, Treasurer.
Dated Dec. 7, 1863.

PEORIA AND OQUAWKA RAILROAD COMPANY.—The undersigned, having obtained a decree to sell the above road, are now prepared to receive the First and Second Mortgage Bonds, and issue for them Trustees' Certificates, under the agreement to reorganize the Company, made at a general meeting of bondholders and creditors, held Dec. 23, 1862.

The Bonds can be exchanged for Certificates at No. 26 Exchange-place, office of WESTON, DE BILLIER & CO.
CHARLES L. FROST, EDWARD WESTON, HENRY G. MARQUAND, } Trustees.
New-York, Dec. 16, 1863.

THE QUICKSILVER MINING COMPANY, No. 21 NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 7, 1863.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of this Company will be held at the Continental Hotel, in the City of Philadelphia, at 11 A. M., on MONDAY, Jan. 4, 1864.

The annual election of Directors will be held on the same day, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M.

The Transfer Books will be closed on SATURDAY, Dec. 19, 1863, and reopened on TUESDAY, Jan. 5, 1864.
By order. J. B. RANDOL, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE ATLANTIC MUTUAL INS. CO., No. 51 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 14, 1863.

THE BOOKS OF THIS COMPANY WILL close on the 31st inst., preparatory to its annual statement. Persons holding policies on risks which shall have terminated during the year prior to 1st January next, are requested to furnish an account of the premiums thereon, and a statement of all claims, the return of premiums, to prevent discrepancies in the accounts.
J. H. CHAPMAN, Acting Secretary.

STOCKS, BONDS AND GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. Bought and sold at Board of Brokers. By A. G. HEMINWAY & CO., No. 24 Exchange-place.

VERMILYE & CO., BANKERS, NO. 44 WALL-ST.

Will continue to furnish the U. S. FIVE-TWENTY BONDS, as long as issued by the Government, at par and interest. To Banks and Bankers the usual Commission allowed. We also buy and sell at market rates: U. S. ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS. U. S. COUPON BONDS, of 1881. U. S. 7.30 TREASURY NOTES. U. S. QUARTERMASTER CHECKS. Maturing Certificates of Indebtedness collected on favorable terms.
VERMILYE & CO., BANKERS, NO. 44 WALL-ST., N. Y.

DREXEL, WINTHROP & CO., NO. 18 WALL-ST. BANKERS AND BROKERS. DEALERS IN UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT SECURITIES AND GOLD. Stocks and Bonds bought and sold at the Brokers' Board on commission. Mercantile collections made on all points in the United States and Canada.

AGENCY FOR THE SALE OF U. S. FIVE-TWENTY BONDS. Office of HENRY A. HEISER & SON, No. 41 Pine-st., near William. U. S. 5-20 6 PER CENT. BONDS in all denominations, constantly on hand, and ready for immediate delivery, at PAR and interest. To Brokers and Bankers the usual commission allowed. Stocks, Bonds, and all forms of Government Securities and Mercantile Paper bought and sold on commission.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF NEW-YORK, NO. 4 WALL-ST. *DESIGNATED DEPOSITORY AND FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES.* Regular agency for the NATIONAL LOANS. Subscriptions received for U. S. 5-20 BONDS, and COMMISSIONS ALLOWED to Bankers. *Bonds on hand for immediate delivery. Especial care given to the interests of DEPOSITORS* and CORRESPONDENTS.
SAMUEL C. THOMPSON, President.
JAMES CUMPSEY, Cashier.

LEAVENWORTH & SANDERSON, BANKERS AND BROKERS, NO. 13 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK. DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, AMERICAN AND FOREIGN SPECIE AND UNCURRENT MONEY. Stocks and Bonds bought and sold at the Brokers' Boards on Commission. Collections made on all accessible points in the United States and Canada. Interest allowed on deposits.

LIVERMORE, CLEWS & CO., BANKERS, AND UNITED STATES FIVE-TWENTY LOAN AGENTS, have removed to No. 32 Wall-st., the building lately occupied by J. J. Cisco, Esq., as the United States Sub-Treasury.

OFFICE OF THE TOLEDO AND WABASH RAILWAY CO., No. 132 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Nov. 1, 1863.

THE TOLEDO AND WABASH RAILWAY COMPANY will extend until 1866 the payment of all their First Mortgage Bonds which shall be presented at this office for that purpose before the 1st day of January next.
By order of the Board of Directors.
A. BOODY, President.

PUBLIC NOTICE.—THE PUBLIC MINING AND MANUFACTURING STOCK EXCHANGE BOARD will hold its first regular session at No. 32 William-st., on MONDAY, Dec. 21, 1863, commencing at 10½ o'clock A. M. For full particulars, see prospectus. ALBERT H. NICOLAY, Manager.

"ATLANTIC AND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY."—Coupons on the Bonds of this Company will be paid on presentation by McANDREW & WANN, No. 12 Pine-st.

WANTED.—A FEW HUNDRED DOLLARS OF the Receiver's Certificates of the People's Bank of Paterson, New-Jersey. Apply to WM. H. MARSTON, No. [illegible] Wall-st.

$30,000 TO LOAN. NO COMMISSIONS. Apply to F. E. WESTBROOK, 83 Nassau-st.

DIVIDENDS.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 16, 1863.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NEW-JERSEY ZINC COMPANY, held at Jersey City, N. J., this day, a dividend of Four per Cent. was declared on Preferred Stock, and Two per Cent. on Common Stock, payable on and after the 1st proximo at the transfer office of the Company, No. 106 Liberty-st. The transfer books will be closed from this date until Jan. 1, 1864. The following gentlemen were elected officers of the Company, viz.: Edwin R. [illegible], President; Wm. Redmond, Vice-President; A. H. [illegible], Treasurer and Secretary.
A. H. [illegible], Treasurer and Secretary.

THE ROME, WATERTOWN AND OGDENSBURGH RAILROAD COMPANY have declared a Semi-annual *Dividend of Five (5) per Cent.* payable on the 15th January next. The Company will also assume the payment of the Government tax on the same. Holders of stock registered in New-York will receive their dividends at the People's Bank. *The transfer books will be closed from the 5th to 15th January inclusive.* E. B. HUNGERFORD, Secretary.
New-York, Dec. 16, 1863.

DIVIDEND AND ELECTION NOTICE.—HAMILTON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 11 Wall-st.

The Directors have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Four per Cent., payable on Monday, Jan. 4, without tax.

An election for Directors for the ensuing year will be held on the same day. Polls open at 12 M. and close at 1 P. M.
Dec. 11, 1863. J. C. WINANS, Secretary.

BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have declared a dividend of Five per Cent. (free of Government tax) from the earnings of the current six months, payable on the 2d day of January next. The Transfer Books will remain closed until the day of payment.
R. P. PERRIN, Cashier.

MANUFACTURERS' AND MERCHANTS' BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a Dividend of Four (4) per Cent., payable on and after Jan. 2, free of Government tax.

Transfer Books will be closed from the 26th December to Jan. 2.
A. MASTERTON, Cashier.

HANOVER BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 16, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Four per Cent. on the capital stock, free of Government tax, payable on the 2d day of January next. The transfer books will be closed from the 22d inst. to the day of payment. By order. THOS. L. TAYLOR, Cashier.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

HIRAM YOUNG, MANUFACTURER AND IMPORTER OF FINE PLATED WARE, No. 20 John-st. Offers to the trade a large and varied assortment of Silver-plated ware, consisting in part of EPERGNES, FLOWER VASES, SALVERS, PRESERVE, SUGAR and BUTTER DISHES, TEA SETS, CASTORS, &c., &c. Also, PEARL and IVORY TABLE CUTLERY.

STERLING GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS (And all times). GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES, and fine Gold Jewelry, OF EVERY DESCRIPTION. Staple Goods for the Holidays, and Lasting Tokens, AT LOW PRICES. T. B. BYNNER, Importer and Dealer in Watches and Jewelry, No. 175 BROADWAY, N. Y. UP STAIRS.

THE GOTHIC FURNACE. EDDY'S AND FISH'S PATENT KEROSENE HEATING AND COOKING STOVES. *Gas Heating and Cooking Stoves.* Sterling's Gas Regulator and Saver. The Polar Refrigerator. *Clothes-Wringers, Mangles and Washing-machines.* Parlor and Ice Skates. LESLEY & ELLIOT, No. 494 Broadway, New-York.

MUSICAL BOXES. The largest and ONLY complete stock of Musical Boxes to be found in America is now offered for sale at Wholesale and retail by the undersigned, at prices varying from $2 75 to $350 00. M. J. PAILLARD, Importer, No. 21 Maiden-lane, (up stairs,) New-York.

HOLIDAYS.—THE BEST PLACE TO PURchase a pure article of CANDY, SUGAR PLUMS, &c., is at the Old Chambers-st. Candy Manufactory, corner Chambers and Hudson sts. All the articles purchased at this establishment are warranted pure and free from all adulteration. Established in 1806. It has for more than fifty years always been celebrated for the superiority of its manufacture. RIDLEY & CO. are determined to keep up with the demand, but our advice is to call early and get supplied. They have Fancy Boxes, Cornets, Bags, &c., suitable for HOLIDAY PRESENTS. RIDLEY & CO.'S BRANCH OFFICE, Corner of 8th-av. and 26th-st., New-York.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.—VIOLINS, $1 50 TO $60; Guitars, $4 to $55; Flutes, $1 to $35; Accordeons, $2 50 to $25; Concertinas, $3 to $35; Banjos, Tamborines, &c., wholesale and retail, by express to any part of the country. Italian and silk Violin Strings, &c., mailed. FREDERICK BLUME, No. 208 Bowery.

FURS.

FURS! FURS!! FURS!!! FURS!!!! LADIES' FINE FURS. GENTS' FUR CAPS, MUFFLERS AND GAUNTLETS, FANCY AND BUFFALO ROBES, RETAILED AT WHOLESALE PRICES, at BURKE'S (successor to Watkins,) No. 210 Broadway, corner Fulton-st.

LADIES' FINE FURS, AT NO. 48 BROADWAY.—Opening at retail of a selected stock of Furs. F. SIG'D GOSE, Manufacturer of Ladies' Fine Furs, No. 48 Broadway.

MUSICAL.

CHICKERING & SONS, Manufacturers of Grand, Square and Upright Piano-Fortes, No. 652 Broadway.—The superiority of these instruments has of late been amply demonstrated by the voluntary testimony of the foremost artists of the day, who claim for them excellencies of tone and workmanship hitherto unobtained by any other makers. Mr. GOTTSCHALK'S constant use of the New Scale CHICKERING GRAND PIANO-FORTES has severely tested their musical qualities, and resulted in establishing the justice of the very flattering estimation in which they are held.

BRADBURY'S NEW SCALE PIANO-FORTES! After thorough and repeated tests by Gottschalk, Mason, Mills, Sanderson, Morgan, Heller, Timm, Patterson and many others of the most competent judges, are pronounced "superior in power, purity, richness and equality of tone and thoroughness of workmanship." See their letter in my last Circular. Seven first premiums, including two gold medals, were received by Mr. Bradbury within four weeks at the State Fairs, and at the American Institute of 1863. "For the best piano-forte a gold medal." Warerooms No. 427 Broome-st., one block east of Broadway. WM. B. BRADBURY.

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The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, FRIDAY, DEC. 18, 1863.

Amusements this Evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Faust.

BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Medea.

WALLACK'S—Rosedale; or, The Rifle Ball.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM—Arabian Giant—Giant Boy and Girl, Lilliputian King, Moving Wax Figures, &c., at all hours—Dramatic Performances, Ticket-of-Leave Man, &c., at 3 and 7½ o'clock P. M.

NIBLO'S GARDEN—The Magic Joker—The Fairy Circle.

WINTER GARDEN—The Ticket-of-Leave Man.

OLYMPIC THEATRE—Ladies Beware—Barber of Islington.

PARK THEATRE (Brooklyn)—The Wife—Lottery Ticket.

BROADWAY AMPHITHEATRE (No. 408 Broadway)—Equestrian Performances.

VAN AMBURGH & CO.'S MENAGERIE (Nos. 539 and 541 Broadway)—Moral Exhibition and Egyptian Caravan.

HOPE CHAPEL—Stereoscopticon.

GALLERIES (No. 625 Broadway)—Artists' Fund Society.

HOPE CHAPEL—Statuary.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE REBELLION.

There will be much pleasure felt this morning in the news of the recapture of the steamer *Chesapeake*. She was taken yesterday by the gunboat *Ella and Annie*, Lieut.-Com. Nickels, at Sambro Harbor, N. S., twenty miles from Halifax. Only three of the pirate crew were made prisoners, the remainder, including Beaine, their chief, having incontinently fled to the woods at sight of the Federal steamer. The *Ella and Annie* took the *Chesapeake* in tow, and carried her into the port of Halifax. The authorities of Nova Scotia have issued orders for the arrest of the pirates, and the dispatch states that there was a rumor that the officials intrusted with that duty had been resisted.

Our files of Richmond papers are up to the 10th inst., inclusive, as prompt as we ever received them before the war. They contain no very important information. A telegram from Atlanta announces very positively the fact that Gen. Grant had evacuated Chattanooga, and was falling back upon Nashville, tearing up the railroad as he retreated. It was said Hardee would pursue. Longstreet, it was said, would attempt to hold Northeastern Tennessee. The papers publish the official letter of Commissioner Gould, declining to receive any further supplies for our prisoners. In the rebel Senate, Mr. Foote had introduced a resolution instructing the Judiciary Committee to so amend the Retaliatory act of the last Congress as to make a distinction in treatment between the free negroes enlisted at the North and the slaves of Southern masters who were captured from the Federal armies. The papers were very bitter on President Lincoln's Message.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, Mr. Hale arose to a privileged question, and made a lengthy explanation with reference to an indirect charge of bribery which had been made against him by a public print in New-England. He appealed to Mr. Johnson, of Maryland, who was cognizant of the circumstances, and whose testimony was that Senator Hale was not guilty of the charge, having done nothing that any Senator, who was a lawyer might not do. Mr. Hale offered a resolution requiring the Judiciary Committee to investigate and report upon the matter, which was agreed to. Mr. Wade, of Ohio, offered a resolution calling upon the Secretary of the Navy for all the documents and reports *in extenso*, pertaining to the iron-clad monitors and frigates, in all their various actions, from the first fight of the monitor with the *Merrimac*, to the sinking of the *Weehawken*. Mr. Lane, of Kansas, introduced a bill to indemnify the people of Kansas for losses by a grant of public lands. The Senate refused to concur in the House resolution to adjourn over the holidays. It adjourned till to-day.

In the House, yesterday, the resolution of thanks to Capt. John Rodgers was passed. Several motions and resolutions were adopted, having in view measures by which the benefits of the Pension and the Homestead laws may be properly extended to classes in the military and naval service whom they now do not reach. The Committee on Roads and Canals were instructed to inquire into the expediency and necessity of so enlarging the Northern canals as to connect the Hudson and Mississippi Rivers with the great lakes. Mr. Rogers, of New-Jersey, (Democrat,) gave notice of a bill to increase the pay of soldiers; also a joint resolution, to refund to the States and all other corporations all moneys paid by them for bounties to volunteers. Mr. Harrington, of Indiana, (Democrat,) introduced some Copperhead resolutions, which the House listened to, and then rejected. The bill for the payment of invalid pensions for the past year was passed. The Secretary of the Treasury was called upon, by resolution, for any documents concerning the operations of the Reciprocity Treaty. A resolution was offered by Mr. Edgerton, (Dem.) of Indiana, in effect condemning the President's Emancipation and Amnesty Proclamations, which was laid on the table by a vote of 90 to 66. A series of resolutions were offered by Mr. Smith, (Union,) of Kentucky, declaring, in effect, that there is no hope for the country save in a vigorous prosecution of the war; declining all propositions for intervention; that there are only two parties, viz.: patriots and traitors; that it is the duty of Congress to pass all laws, and of the people to render all the aid necessary to crush the rebellion; and, finally, thanking the soldiers in the field for their defence of principles dear to every American. The resolutions were adopted *separately*. *The House then adjourned until Monday next.*

FROM EUROPE.

Nine days' later advices from Europe are telegraphed from Cape Race, having been brought thither yesterday by the steamship *Hibernia*, from Galway on the 9th inst. There is nothing of importance politically. The news of Gen. Grant's victory at Chattanooga had been received, and even the London *Times* did not pretend to doubt our complete success. The United States corvette *Kearsage* was off Queenstown on the 7th, and relanded sixteen men recently shipped at that port. Judgment was not rendered in the *Alabama* case by the Court of Exchequer on the 7th inst., and the decision was not looked for now until the 11th of January. The Schleswig-Holstein question presented a more hopeful aspect. The steamship *City of Cork*, from Liverpool on the 26th instant, and bringing Cork journals to the 30th, arrived at this port yesterday. No intelligence respecting the prize-fight between Heenan and King has been received.

GENERAL NEWS.

Both Boards of the Common Council met at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The Aldermen did nothing of special interest.

In the Board of Councilmen, Mr. O'Brien presented a resolution that the Committee on National Affairs submit to the Common Council all designs and specifications received by them for the erection of a monument on the Catholic soldiers' grave-plot in Calvary Cemetery. It was referred to the Committee on National Affairs. Subsequently Mr. Hahn's resolution, presented on last Saturday, authorizing the Committee to erect a monument at a cost not to exceed $12,000—which amount was provided for the purpose in the City Appropriation Bill for 1864, and has already been called up for action. Considerable discussion arose as to whether the Committee should submit the designs for the monument which they have already obtained, or may hereafter obtain, to the Common Council for their selection, but the resolution was finally adopted without amendment, leaving the matter of the design to be selected wholly in the discretion of the Committee. Both Boards adjourned to 1 o'clock P. M. on next Monday.

The subscriptions to the Five Million National Bank of New-York closed yesterday, the entire Capital being subscribed. The Stock Market was buoyant and prices rapidly advancing.

The Washington *Star* of Wednesday states that the Government is in constant communication with Gen. Grant, who is pushing his arrangements for carrying out his plans with great energy. Nothing has transpired in his vicinity of late to change the aspect of affairs there as they have stood for a week past.

Advices from Porto Cabello announce the death at that place, Nov. 27, of Mr. Wampole, United States Consul.

The Delaware and Hudson Canal Company yesterday subscribed $50,000 to the County Volunteer Bounty Fund Loan—the total subscriptions to which now amount to $1,359,000.

A moderate business was transacted in Cotton, Whisky, and Flour, yesterday, at about previous prices. Wheat and Corn were brisker and dearer. Provisions were in fair demand, as were also Laths, Lumber, Lime, Hay, Hops, and Tallow. Tobacco was in active request. Freights exhibited increased animation.

Financial Fallacies.

The financial delusion which has brought the Confederacy into its present unhappy plight is one which is well worthy of our attention, inasmuch as it is one in which a large number of people at the North also are rather prone to indulge. It consists in the belief that a nation can pledge its *whole* property for the payment of a large debt, and that such a pledge is a good and substantial security. Nothing has been more common here as well as at the South than to see in print elaborate summings up of the value of the whole real and personal estate of the citizens of the United States, followed by an assurance that this was the exact amount of the fund on which the Government was at liberty to draw for the expenses of the war, or of any other undertaking that public liberty or security might require. At the South the same calculation was made much more gradually and with much greater confidence, owing to the fact that it possesses a monopoly of the commodity and all but a monopoly of some others of which the whole civilized world is greatly in need. The value of the Southern cotton and tobacco crop, were, we were told, so much; and of its naval stores so much; and these two added together presented the exact amount of the security which the Confederacy is able to offer to anybody who is shrewd enough to lend it money.

Delusions of this sort would never gain currency in any community, if people generally were in the habit of bringing their common everyday sense to the discussion of public affairs. But they do nothing of the kind. Nothing is more difficult than to get the mass of men to believe that the principles of human nature which regulate the conduct of individuals in the management of their private affairs, have any influence whatever on the conduct of large communities. Nobody has probably ever yet heard of all the stockholders in a bankrupt company voluntarily, and without any compulsion, surrendering up all their private property for the payment of the debts of the corporation. Nobody believes for one moment that any corporation exists, or has ever existed in this country, the members of which are capable of any such act of self-sacrifice. If any one were to assure us gravely that if this City, for instance, ever got so deeply in debt that it could not meet its bills, the citizens would all sell their houses and goods, hand over the proceeds to the Treasurer, and begin life anew, who would believe him? Who does not know perfectly well that they would let the municipality repudiate a dozen times over sooner than submit to any such surrender of their property? We see every day proofs of the wideness of the interval which separates us from any such heights of public spirit. We have seen States here, as well as in Europe, refusing to submit even to the moderate amount of taxation necessary to pay sums which would not amount to a mill per cent. of the value of their collective property. We all thought it a very creditable thing for a rich State like California to confirm, a few years ago, by a popular vote, a loan voted by the Legislature, and pronounced technically illegal by the Supreme Court, and the payment of which might have been imposed in a single year on a twentieth part of the population, without their seriously feeling it. We know, moreover, that not one man in a hundred, in spite of the stigma attached by public opinion to non-payment of debts, would ever surrender *everything* he possesses to meet his just liabilities if he were not compelled to do it by the law.

And yet the supposition that either single States, or cities, or individuals should display this nice sense of honor, would be natural, simple and ordinary, compared with the supposition that a whole nation should hand over to its creditors even one-quarter of its possessions. But nobody that lends money to a Government is ever such a simpleton as to expect anything of the kind. The victims of the hallucination are generally found, as might be expected, amongst the more sanguine and enthusiastic of the borrowers.

What a Government is able to pledge for the redemption of any public debt, far from being the whole real and personal estate of the country, is simply a moderate percentage on the annual income realized from that real and personal estate. More than this is sure, in the long run, to bring bankruptcy and repudiation on any country in the world. If the percentage becomes very large, it diminishes production and drives capital abroad; if it threatens the whole income, it stops production, and produces public bankruptcy and general poverty. What would happen if it got to the point of touching the capital itself, it is impossible to assert positively, because no such a thing has ever happened. But we can guess what would happen with tolerable accuracy. The people would tell their creditors that they were very sorry to disappoint them, but that nothing was further from their thoughts than to plunge themselves and their families into beggary in order to pay them.

Nothing, in short, is good security for a public debt except something that can be turned into money. Taxes *that can be collected* are a good security, because they are money, or can be converted into money. Public lands are, because a moderate amount of public lands can be sold every year. Cotton is a good security, if purchasers can be found for it and it can be delivered to them. Anything, in short, is good security which the people are willing to surrender to the Government, and which the Government can find a buyer for and hand over to them. But you cannot sell a whole continent; you cannot dispose of the goods and chattels of millions of families at auction. Who would buy them, and what would become of the owners after they were sold? In short, talking of the whole property of a nation as security for its debts, is as wild and senseless as talking of the readiness of a whole people to be slaughtered rather than submit to a conqueror, as popular orators are in the habit of doing. No such readiness on the part of any people was ever exhibited since the world began, and has never existed anywhere but in the brains of rhetoricians. The most heroic resistance always stops short and far short of annihilation.

When the South proposed to carry on war by means of its cotton it left out of sight all the difficulties in the way of turning the cotton into money, the difficulties of transport, the reluctance of planters to surrender it, the blockade, the invasion, and everything else. It saw only the eagerness of Europe to buy it, and its own eagerness to sell it. It has now got a practical lesson in the very elements of public finance which would, doubtless, if it was to begin over again, be of great value to it. It has learned that promises to pay which "represent property" as the phrase is, are of little value, unless the property they represent can be got at by the holders. The French assignats all "represented" land, but as neither the land nor the value of it could be had on presentation of the assignat, although it was actually in the possession of the Government, it at last took 500 francs to pay for a cup of coffee. In short, every financier who issues notes based not on what the nation is likely to pay and can pay without utterly impoverishing itself, but on its whole property or a large part of its property, is either a very great simpleton or a very great knave.

Longstreet's Retreat.

Longstreet's action in his retreat from Knoxville has upset all the anticipations that could reasonably have been formed of what he would do. It was natural to suppose that, having withdrawn, foiled, from before Knoxville, he would make post haste into Virginia. Moreover, when we reflect that he is cut off from all base of supplies, and is without any line of communications, it is difficult to see what other course was open to him. And yet he has not done so. Having succeeded in getting to a point where he is free from the danger of having his retreat cut off by a Union column moving through Cumberland Gap, he turns about at Rodgersville—a point on the railroad about forty-five miles east of Knoxville—takes up a position at bay, and repulses the attack of our advance cavalry force under Gen. Shackelford. At Rodgersville Longstreet has been joined by several detached bands of troopers, and cavalry and all included, he may now muster a force of twenty thousand men. It is needless to remark, that with this force in a strong position he has it in his power to give bloody pause to any too adventuresome pursuit.

What is most surprising in the fortunes of Longstreet's force is the question from whence it has been and is now drawing its subsistence. For upward of a month, without lines of communication or base of supplies, he has succeeded in solving that problem which, from the time of Cæsar, (with whom the *res frumentaria* were the first and constant care,) has been the prime source of anxiety with all commanders—namely, the subsisting of his army. As to whatever degree of primitive simplicity the rebels may have reduced their commissariat, they must still have at least their "hog and hominy," we must conclude Longstreet has been able to find in the country enough to feed his army. That he should be able to do so, had the resources of the district in which he has been operating not been already tapped, is quite probable; but Gen. Burnside's force had for more than two months previously occupied and roamed over the whole valley up as high as Bristol; and it is certainly a striking proof of the exuberant fertility of this region, that *after the double occupation by two considerable armies*, the rebel commander should still be able to make "war support war."

The stand on the part of Longstreet will necessitate some modification in Gen. Grant's plan of pursuit. So long as this rebel column continued on the retreat, it was simply a question of following up with cavalry, to hang on and harass their flank and rear. But now that he has turned at bay with a considerable force, and in a strong position, it will be necessary to bring up an adequate infantry force to drive him out; for it will never do to allow the rebels to obtain a foothold in any part of East Tennessee. Fortunately, we have in the valley a force all-sufficient for this purpose. In addition to Gen. Burnside's old command, now under the leadership of Foster, the forethought of Gen. Grant has put the corps of Granger and of Sherman in the position to take a hand in the business.

There is very little probability that Longstreet has any idea of making a prolonged or serious stand at Rodgersville, or anywhere else in the valley. It is doubtless simply a halt to gain time and cover his withdrawal; and in the check he has given the advance of his pursuers, and the opportunity it has given him to protect the pushing forward of his trains and *materiel*, he has no doubt achieved all he expected to achieve. He will beat a retreat before any serious advance, and he has now reached a position where all hope of our making any very great captures are out of the question.

Interesting to Office-Seekers.—While President Lincoln was confined to his house with the varioloid, some friends called to sympathize with him, especially on the character of his disease. "Yes," he said, "it is a bad disease, but it has its advantages. For the first time since I have been in office, I have something now to give to everybody that calls."

AMUSEMENTS.

German Opera.—The desire to attend the funeral of this enterprise has been so great, that it must be rather embarrassing to the principal newspaper mourner to hear that it is not yet dead. On the contrary, it is probable that it will enter upon a new and healthy career to-night, when Gounod's opera of "Faust" will be produced for the first time in German. The worst has been said of Mr. Anschütz's artists, but not the best of his orchestra and chorus. This will be reserved for to-night, when the delicate orchestral tracery of Mr. Gounod, and his fine broad choral effects, will be interpreted with the skill, precision and force that seem to reside only in Mr. Anschütz's baton. It may be added, too, as a matter of interest, that the *whole* of the music will be given. The Italian version is defective, and some cuts were even made in that by Mr. Maretzek.

The distribution is excellent, and will insure a fine performance. Mad. Fredrici appears as *Marguerite*; Mad. Johannsen, as *Siebel*; Herr Hinrich, as *Faust*; Herr Wachtel, as *Mephistopheles*; Herr Berthmann, as *Valentine*; and Mad. Benza, as *Martha*. Mr. Anschütz's superb chorus will be retained by the members of the Arion Society, who, it will be remembered, sang the "Soldiers' Chorus" at their last concert with immense precision and effect. In the act where this *morceau* occurs there is an opportunity for a military band, which Mr. Anschütz introduces upon the stage. The *ensemble* will, we are sure, be very remarkable. Let us hope that the public will not overlook the occasion. The production of this opera is the crisis of the enterprise.

Wallack's Theatre.—The unchecked career of "Rosedale" during the past three months has, in a way, placed this establishment beyond the pale of criticism. We have not thought it necessary to assail the work because it was a success, or to underrate it because it happened to be from the pen of Mr. Lester Wallack. The critic has the first say on the subject of a new play—the public the last. In the matter of "Rosedale," its say has been emphatic enough. The carpers have been silenced, and the play has continued to draw.

Still, we must confess to a personal feeling of satisfaction at the change which was last evening made in Mr. Wallack's programme. It was pleasant to see an old comedy in the old place—yes! thoroughly pleasant, notwithstanding that the comedy was by James Sheridan Knowles. It was agreeable, too, to lend a hand of welcome to those members of the company who, until now, have had no opportunity of appearing before the public. There was also a special duty to perform. This was to receive a new member of the company—Mrs. Wilkins—who comes to us with genial commendation from European critics, and who made her first appearance as the *Widow Green* in the "Love Chase."

The author has foreshadowed, in the bleer-eyed rhapsody of *Sir William Fondlove*, the sort of woman the widow should be:

> —— The pleasant Widow Green,
> Whose fortieth year, instead of Autumn, brings
> A second Summer in;

and nature, in the case of Mrs. Wilkins, seems to have followed the prescription. Her presence is distinctly that of a buxom, good-natured, smiling, easily gulled and gushing creature—precisely the kind of presence that we have long needed on the New-York stage, where, to speak honestly, the angularities of the female form divine are somewhat uppermost. As an actress, Mrs. Wilkins is probably judged to advantage in this play. The part of the *Widow* fits her so well, that it might have been written for her. In the well-known love scene of the third act where with that charming cruelty of the sex the *Widow* flirts with a third party, *Sir William*, in order to attack a second, *Master Waller*, the routine of a good school of acting was clearly discernible, but never to an extent that unpleasantly exposed the artifice of the actress. In the toilette scene of the last act, and in the final one of the play, Mrs. Wilkins was equally successful. Indeed the whole impersonation impressed us as being artistic and genial. The lady will undoubtedly become a prominent favorite with the Wallackian audience.

Lydia, the stage companion of the *Widow*, was played by Miss Madeline Henriques, with sweetness and grace. The *rôle* barely admits of more than a physical justification of the laudations of *Lydia's* beauty, and here everyone felt that too much could not be said or expected of this charming young actress. There are a good many lines in the part, but they are strangely destitute of ideas. In the scene with *Master Waller*, Miss Henriques infused much coffness and girlish pathos into her declaration of love, giving to it that air of distracted earnestness which young persons in such a moment of emotional chancery may be expected to experience. We have only to add that Miss Henriques was recalled after this scene, was charmingly dressed, and on her entrance received an unmistakable proof of the remembrance of the audience.

The *Constance* of Mrs. Hoey is one of that lady's best parts, and was admirably presented last night. Mr. Lester Wallack was the *Wildrake*, and played it with that variety and freshness of skill which we only find in this gentleman. Mr. Mark Smith made his *rentrée* as *Sir William Fondlove*, and was received with the favor that this gentleman always merits. His impersonation of this character is thoroughly admirable. Mr. Charles Fisher was the *Master Waller*, and played very acceptably.

The comedy, which has been handsomely placed on the stage, was a complete success, and will, we trust, be repeated. On Saturday next the comedy of "Married Life." Mrs. Jamieson will make her first appearance in this piece.

Winter Garden.—On this evening Mr. W. J. Florence announces his first benefit at this theatre appearing, of course, as *Robert Brierley* in "The Ticket-of-Leave Man." The simple earnestness with which Mr. Florence has portrayed the character has won for him golden opinions, which we doubt not will find expression in an overwhelming house to-night.

Italian Opera.—Max Maretzek will tarry here a short time on his way from Philadelphia to Boston, and give a few opera nights at the Academy of Music, commencing on Wednesday next, the 23d inst.

Barnum's Museum.—Mr. Barnum has seized the present excitement on the subject of the "Ticket-of-Leave-Man," to produce that work at the Museum, and the patrons of the establishment may well rejoice thereby. The spectral drama has had an extensive career there, and a work like Mr. Tom Taylor's that possesses continuity of plot and consecutiveness of idea, must, under the circumstances, be peculiarly refreshing. Few dramas of late years have presented so many claims to consideration. The story of *Robert Brierly* is simple, natural, affecting. No highly colored language is used in narrating it, but there is such directness in the incidents, and so much pathos in the consequences, that the interest in the unfortunate Yorkshire lad is unflagging and earnest. Nor does the merit of the play end with this one character. Every part in it is a good part. Whilst there is certainly not a superfluous line in it from beginning to end, there is assuredly not a mediocre character. This makes somewhat of a demand on the resources of a theatre, but satisfies the public. Mr. Barnum's company is taxed heavily in performing such a work twice a day. Still they continue to do it, and overflowing audiences are their reward. Tom Taylor has been somewhat abbreviated to bring the performance within the compass of two hours, but otherwise his drama is presented in a very energetic and effective way. It has been placed on the stage with unusual care. The scenery is good, and the dresses are all that could be expected. We have only to add that the Museum has been crowded every afternoon and evening since the production of the play.

Mr. Barnum has secured a pisciatorial curiosity in the shape of a veritable brook trout, weighing 7¼ pounds. He is safely landed—or rather anchored—in one of the Museum tanks, where he attracts much attention.

Death of Alderman Fromont.

Andre Fromont, Alderman of the Twenty-first Ward, Fifteenth Aldermanic District, died yesterday, of consumption, in the forty-third year of his age. For a long time Mr. Fromont has been known in this City as a man of sterling integrity, generous disposition and untiring energy. He was born in New-York in 1820, and soon after arriving at his majority rose to prominence in politics. During the Administration of President Pierce he was appointed agent for the Government to distribute stamp envelopes, and held the office under President Buchanan, in all for a period of seven years. He was first elected Alderman of the Twenty-first Ward in the Fall of 1860, and was re-elected to the office in 1862, consequently his term would not have expired until the Fall of 1864. In 1862 the State Legislature paid a high compliment to deceased in selecting him as the only member from either Board of the Common Council to revise the City Charter. Mr. Fromont, at the time of his death, was a Sachem of the Tammany Society, and held the position of Grand Master of the Odd Fellow's Lodge of Southern New-York. In the same Order deceased acted as the representative from this State to the Grand Lodge of the United States. His death will be mourned by a community who knew him to be the noblest work of God—"an honest man." The Grand Lodge will hold a meeting and attend his funeral in a body.

Cordial Acknowledgment.

RUSSIAN APPRECIATION OF AMERICAN HOSPITALITY.

His Honor Mayor Opdyke received the following yesterday from Baron Stoeckl, the Russian Minister at Washington:

> Washington, Dec. 14, 1863.
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> My Dear Sir: I take great pleasure in transmitting to you a telegram, dated Nov. 22, received from the Mayor of Nicolayeff, our principal naval station on the Black Sea. Its object is a grateful acknowledgment by the citizens of Nicolayeff for the reception which their countrymen have met with in New-York.
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> I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,
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> STOECKL.
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> His Honor Mr. Opdyke, Mayor of New-York.

The following is a copy of the telegram of Mayor Bogkteieff:

> Nicolayeff, via Liverpool, Nov. 22, 1863.
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> *Baron Stoeckl, Russian Ambassador, Washington, America:*
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> Citizens of the town of Nicolayeff celebrating the anniversary of their chiefs, and drinking in honor of the citizens of New-York, express their deepest gratifications for feelings of sympathy evinced to their countrymen in New-York. Be pleased to transmit to the Mayor of New-York. Bogkteieff, Mayor of Nicolayeff.

From other sources it is known that the reception of the Russian naval officers in the United States has produced much enthusiasm throughout Russia.

The Round Table.—The first number of the "Round Table, a Weekly Record of the Notable, the Useful and the Tasteful," appeared yesterday. It has sixteen good sized pages, printed on a sheet of paper the size of the Times, and taken up with discussions of the political, military and literary topics of the day. Everybody confesses that there is a splendid opportunity in this City and country for the successful establishment of a weekly organ of independent criticism and elevated thought; and every one has hoped that the character of the Round Table might be such as to satisfy the public demand. Whether or not it will be so, and do so, time must tell.

The Kentucky "Free South."—The Anti-Slavery sentiment of Kentucky has not yet become, throughout the State, an organized political power like the Anti-Slavery sentiment of Missouri, Maryland, Tennessee, Louisiana, West Virginia, and Arkansas. It has no newspaper organs, such as it has in all these States. But it exists and grows, nevertheless, and in the elections last Fall, gave signs that in some districts it was formidable. Mr. Wm. S. Bailey, who many years ago printed and published an Anti-Slavery newspaper called the *Free South* (at Newport, opposite Cincinnati,) which was once destroyed by a Pro-Slavery mob and subsequently by fire, proposes to reestablish that paper, if the public will aid him, and has come to the East to procure a press and other necessary material. He has just been released from an old indictment for felony, in publishing an Anti-Slavery newspaper in Kentucky, and is now free to devote himself to his work. His boldness and persistency in advocating the doctrines of Free-soil in bygone years deserve recognition now, and, as he will be for some time in this City, those who would assist him may address him through the Post-office.

Twentieth Regiment United States Colored Troops.—Under an authorization granted to the Union League Club of the City of New-York, the above regiment is to be raised and mustered into the service of the United States. This is the only regiment of colored soldiers authorized by the War Department to be raised in this State. All colored people who have been, or may be enlisted, will be sent to the rendezvous on Riker's Island to join this regiment. A Committee has been appointed, consisting of Mr. George Bliss, Jr., and others, the special duty of which will be to see that recruits are protected from impositions, and that they receive the full amount of bounty soldiers are entitled to. Most of the expenses incident to enlistments are paid by the Committee. Under such circumstances it will not be long before the Twentieth regiment of United States colored troops will be full.

FROM TENNESSEE.

Important Order of Gen. Hurlbut.

Cairo, Thursday, Dec. 17.

Memphis dates are up to the evening of the 14th.

Gen. Hurlbut has promulgated another important order, of which the following is the substance:

"It having been ascertained that large quantities of coin have passed from Memphis especially South, therefore it is ordered that neither coin nor bullion be dealt in, bargained, or exchanged within such parts of Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi, as are within this department, except as follows:

Persons having coin or bullion in their possession which they desire to exchange, may receive permission from the local Treasury Agent, to send the same North, receiving back as equivalent such currency as they may choose. Any sale or exchange, except as above, is forbidden, and will be punished by a military tribunal.

Bankers and others doing a deposit business in Memphis are requested to send forward the coin and bullion in their hands to the Provost-Marshal, both for themselves and their depositors, to convert the *same into currency, and hereafter receive none on deposit except to forward the same as herein provided.*"

The Memphis cotton market is dull. Sales 100 bales at 63c. Sales on the 14th, 200 bales. Receipts 100 bales.

The farmers in southern Illinois have been busily engaged for some weeks past in cotton picking on high grounds, where the crops have been little injured by the frost. On the bottom and low lands the crops are totally ruined. Cotton presses are going up in Huton and Jackson counties, and gins are running in every neighborhood.

The Steamer Nansemond Damaged—The Canton Company.

Baltimore, Thursday, Dec. 17.

The steamer *Nansemond* arrived here to-day, badly damaged, having encountered a gale off Hatteras Saturday last. She had a narrow escape. Her guns and ammunition had to be thrown overboard to lighten her. She left this port on the 10th, after being repaired.

The report in some of the New-York papers to the effect that the Canton Company, of Baltimore, had made large sales of their property fronting on the water, is incorrect, and the prospect of the Company being in a position to pay dividends is considered very remote by those best acquainted with its affairs.

The Assessors' Convention.

Albany, Thursday, Dec. 19.

The Assessors' Convention Committee recommend a tax on all distilled spirits of one dollar per gallon, for malt liquors sixty cents per gallon, for malt thirty cents per bushel, for hops five cents per pound.

The Utah Legislature.

San Francisco, Wednesday, Dec. 16.

The Utah Legislature met yesterday. Mr. Davis Wells was elected President of the Council, and Mr. John Taylor Speaker of the Assembly.

THE REBEL PRIVATEERS.

Who is Responsible for the Failure to Capture Them—Movements of the Vanderbilt and Other Cruisers After the Alabama.

Admiral Wilkes' Defence Against the Charges of the Secretary of the Navy.

Washington, Dec. 11, 1863.

Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy:

Sir: To my great surprise, in your official report to the President, to be laid before Congress, I find my name placed before the country as the cause of the non-capture of the rebel privateers by the detention of the *Vanderbilt* in the West Indies, in terms impugning my character as an officer. Justice to myself and family demand that I should not keep silence under the imputation so undeservedly cast upon me. I shall therefore repel the charge in a few words, though I regret that it is impossible for me, in a letter like this, to enter into details, and show why the piratical rovers were not captured in the West Indies; but my correspondence with, and my urgent entreaties, often repeated, to the Department to send me the necessary force, in fast and effective vessels, contain my full justification. The failure to capture these vessels in the West Indies is to be attributed solely to the want of that force. The blame, therefore, does not rest with me, but elsewhere.

Upon my return in July last I reported immediately to you, as ordered, and requested to know why I was relieved. You replied, "Policy," and you gave me to infer from your remarks that it was through the action of the British Government, and the influences that had been brought to bear on you. This induced me to call on the Secretary of State, who assured me that my whole course of conduct had met with the approval of the State Department, and neither diplomacy nor policy had anything to do with it. Not a word of disapproval have I ever received, either verbally or in writing, from the department, about the detention of the *Vanderbilt*. My surprise was, therefore, great when I learned it through public report.

You will undoubtedly recollect that upon my return in the *San Jacinto* in December, 1861, I stated to you a plan for protecting our treasure ships and commerce in the West Indies—anticipating, as I then did, that many of them would be captured and burnt, and that this would be obviated by a flying squadron, to be composed of not less than twelve fast steamers. It was not until nine months afterward (September, 1862,) that you intended to adopt it and place me in command. I received orders on the 7th of that month (September) to take four vessels of the James River flotilla, which had been under steam for months and were insufficient in many respects. With these, after a few repairs, I was hurried off! Two other vessels, then in the West Indies, were also to join, and a promise, also, that as soon as others more effective could be got ready, they would be sent to join me, among which the *Vanderbilt* was designated.

The activity of this small squadron of inefficient vessels, (anything but a flying squadron,) through the energy and perseverance of its officers and crews, is well known, resulting, as it did, in the entire breaking up of the business of Maxson, and holding in check of Montgomery, about which the English press made so great an outcry.

Instead of the *Vanderbilt* joining me immediately, as I anticipated, she made two unsuccessful cruises after the *Alabama* in the North Atlantic (during the last of which the *Alabama* was already in the West Indies,) and the *Vanderbilt* did not reach the West Indies for five months, and was then sent to act independently of me within my command. When I met her, Commander Barrow showed me, as Admiral and Commander-in-Chief of the West India Squadron, his orders, according to the usage of the service, when I deemed it my duty, and for the best interest of the Government and the object to be attained, to take her as my flag-ship, to enable me to perform the duties assigned me; my flag-ship, the *Wachusetts*, having entirely broken down, and the *Juniata*, which was to have replaced her, not heard from.

If the *Vanderbilt's* orders had not been to proceed directly to the coast of Brazil, and I had detained her, I might have been to blame, whereas I only carried out your orders, which read: "When you are perfectly satisfied that the *Alabama* has left the Gulf or West Indies for some other locality, you will proceed along the coast of Brazil," &c. It was, therefore, not my detention of the *Vanderbilt*, but your own orders that were carried out, for the certainty of the *Alabama's* departure was not known at St. Thomas until the last of May or the first of June, and as soon thereafter as the necessary repairs could be completed and coal taken in, the *Vanderbilt* weamed in pursuit, viz., June 13, under instructions from me to carry out the orders from yourself, with some suggestions I deemed might be useful.

It is believed that the movements of the *Alabama* were known in St. Thomas before they could have been anticipated at Washington.

No vessel could have been more active in the search for the marauders than the *Vanderbilt* was while my flag was flying on her. When I took her under my command, she was incapable of making the cruise that you had pointed out, and Com. Barrow was of opinion that she would be obliged to return to New-York within twenty or twenty-five days for repairs; but I thought otherwise, and that her repairs might be effected in ten days at Key West, whither I sent her. The repairs were partially made, and I was enabled to have her fully equipped and repaired afterward at St. Thomas, and I made a large addition to her officers, crew and marines from my squadron, without which she could not have been efficient to perform the cruise. All these facts are shown by the record of the vessel, and were stated in my dispatch to you.

The *Vanderbilt* was not detained a day beyond the limit you had prescribed. I am well satisfied that had you looked into the merits of the case that you would have awarded credit to me instead of impugning my character as an officer.

I was empowered by naval laws and usages to retain the *Vanderbilt*, if, in my judgment, I considered it my duty, and I took the responsibility. To have permitted her to cruise alone or in company, as her commander might think fit, would have disorganized my squadron, and created discontent among the officers, and further, would have prevented that joint action of a fleet, so essential to the successful attaining of the desired object.

The whole evidence of what the squadron under my command accomplished is contained in my written dispatches, now on file in the Navy Department, and I therefore respectfully request that this letter, with my correspondence during my cruise in the West Indies, may be laid before Congress (or my full justification, and to others, that the true cause (want of vessels, both in numbers and efficiency,) why the *Alabama* and *Florida* were not captured in that sea.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

CHARLES WILKES.

Explosion of Fort Yorktown.

Fortress Monroe, Thursday, Dec. 17.

About 8 o'clock last evening the hospital in Fort Yorktown took fire. The fire communicated to the bakery, and about 1½ o'clock a magazine exploded.

The fire continued, causing the frequent explosion of shells during the night.

At 4 o'clock this morning another explosion took place.

Several buildings were destroyed. The loss is unknown.

These are all the particulars we have as yet.

One wounded man has arrived here this morning.

Boiler Explosion and Loss of Life.

Chicago, Thursday, Dec. 17.

One of the boilers of the Chicago Distilling Company exploded to-day, demolishing the engine-house. Seven men employed in the building were scalded so badly that it is feared they cannot recover. Five or six others were injured, but not seriously. Two men are reported missing, and are probably in the ruins.

The Prize Steamer Minna.

Boston, Thursday, Dec. 17.

Arrived, prize steamer *Minna*, Nassau, N. P., for Wilmington. She is a very fine vessel, and has a cargo said to be worth $200,000.

Case of Abduction.

Montreal, Thursday, Dec. 17.

Sawkins, implicated in the abduction of Rempark, has been fined $100, and sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

Sale of Five-Twenties.

Philadelphia, Thursday, Dec. 17.

The Subscription Agent reports the sale of $1,130,150 Five-Twenties to-day—the amount being equally divided between Western and Eastern cities.

Arrivals in the City.

Señor Romero, the Mexican Minister, left the Brevoort House yesterday for Washington. Hon. D. T. Valk, of Troy; B. Coleman, of Philadelphia; E. Pratt, of Baltimore; U. O. Crane and wife, of Rutland, Vt.; and S. B. Payson, of Boston, are stopping at the Fifth-avenue Hotel.

Rev. Mr. Jackson, of Connecticut, and W. S. Thomas, U. S. A., are stopping at the Everett House. Hon. S. P. Johnson, A. M. Strong, and B. C. Raymond, of Albany; E. Babcock, of Troy; G. Miller, of Boston; S. Milnes and wife, of Albany; Mrs. F. W. Seward, of Washington; S. R. Van Duzer, of Newburgh; J. S. Loyd, of New-Jersey, and J. Butterfield, of Utica, are stopping at the Astor House.

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New-York, Sept. 4.

I have been suffering for years past from a severe Catarrh, with a great heaviness over my eyes, with a severe depression, great uneasiness, and pain in my head, great difficulty in breathing, and a continual accumulation in my nostrils, which gave me restless nights for several years. I have consulted several physicians, who pronounced me to be consumptive. What I suffered for so long a time is indescribable. My system was entirely disarranged and greatly debilitated. I not only felt weak, but I had a cloud continually before my eyes, and my ears were so affected that I was threatened with a total loss of hearing. I must say, I think, I was guided by Providence to come to Dr. Von Eisenberg, who not only cured me of my Catarrh by removing an astonishing quantity of disagreeable matter from my head, but he restored me to perfect health, a blessing I have not enjoyed for many years. Now I enjoy a good night's rest, and pursue my business with comfort. I must acknowledge that Dr. Von Eisenberg's mild and scientific treatment for Catarrh deserves the highest commendation, as the principle which directs his system of curing Catarrh is such as to render success certain.

JAMES FURLONG, No. 320 2d-av.

No. 134 Allen-st., New-York, Feb. 6, 1863.

I have been completely deaf in one ear, and partially so in the other, for above seventeen years, with a disagreeable discharge from both ears, combined with continual rumbling noises in the head, for which I have been treated by a most eminent practitioner in the City without the slightest relief.

I consulted Dr. Von Eisenberg, but I must candidly say that I had no faith in his success when I did so. It is, therefore, due to Dr. Von Eisenberg to acknowledge that I am entirely cured; also, that he displayed that skill and knowledge which have procured for him such an unrivaled reputation. As I have had an opportunity of comparing his mode of treatment with that of others, I can truly state that it is not only superior, but the principles which direct his mode of restoring the hearing are, in my opinion, certain.

JOHN TAYLOR.

New-York, July 25, 1863.

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I was deaf for several years, and hearing of the great cures performed by Dr. Von Eisenberg, I was induced to place myself under his care, and I am now happy to state that my hearing was entirely restored after a short treatment. I was also suffering from chronic catarrh, of which I was also cured by the skillful treatment of Dr. Von Eisenberg. I do but justice to the Doctor in stating that in treating me he displayed that skill and knowledge which have already procured for him such a deserved reputation, and that the principles which direct his system of curing Deafness and Catarrh are such as to render success certain, in my opinion. Many months have passed since Dr. Von Eisenberg restored my hearing, and it continues as good as ever.

O. HOPKINS.

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READ.
New-York, March 28, 1863.

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Henry D. Miner, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

ELEGANT ORIGINAL MODERN OIL PAINTINGS.—MINER & SOMERVILLE will sell at auction, on FRIDAY, Dec. 18, at 11 o'clock, at their gallery, No. 37 Nassau-st., a very fine collection of original modern oil-paintings of French, Belgian, Dutch and American schools, every one of which is guaranteed as represented, embracing the works of the following eminent artists, viz.:

LANDSCAPE AND SHEEP, by E. VERBOECKHOVEN.
STREET SCENE IN BRUSSELS, by CARRABAIN.
LANDSCAPE AND CATTLE, by KOEKKOEK and E. VERBOECKHOVEN.
MARINE SHIPWRECK, by H. SCHAEP.
INTERIOR OF GREUZE'S STUDIO, by SERRUSE.
THE MINIATURE, by CAROLUS.

Also, examples from the easels of Vanderwenden, Lyckaert, De Ruyck, Diedert, Vermeulen, Smets, Hanman, Girard, Notterman, Van Severdonck, Eversen, Van Kuyck, Minjuet, Bosmans, and others of European celebrity. Also, from a private collection, a very fine ITALIAN LANDSCAPE AND FIGURES, by BERGHEM.

The above are now on exhibition.

E. H. Ludlow & Co., Auctioneers.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED and unimproved property at auction, by order of the executors of Richard I. Wells, deceased.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on SATURDAY, Dec. 26, 1863, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building:

BROADWAY—No. 763, west side, between 8th and 9th sts.
NASSAU-STREET—No. 30, southeast corner of Cedar-st.
GREENE-STREET—Nos. 114 and 116, corner of 9th-st.
BOND-STREET—No. 26, between Broadway and Bowery.
GREENE-STREET—No. 183, between Bleecker and Houston sts.
AMITY-STREET—No. 17, between Mercer and Greene sts.
CHARLES-STREET—No. 161, near Washington.
BANK-STREET—Nos. 33 and 35, near 4th-st.
WEST-STREET—No. 405, corner of Charles-st.
GREENWICH—No. 3, near 6th-av.
13TH-STREET—Nos. 268 and 270, near 4th-av.
16TH-STREET—No. 203, near 7th-av.
19TH-STREET—Nos. 73 and 75, between 5th and 6th avs.
20TH-STREET—Nos. 74, 76, 88 and 90, near 6th-av.
18TH-STREET—5 lots, s. s., 300 feet east of 6th-av.
16TH-STREET—5 lots, s. s. 275 feet east of 5th-av.

Book maps, with full particulars, at No. 3 Pine-st.

F. Colton, Auctioneer.

EXTRA LARGE SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, French Plate, Mirrors, Curtains, Cornices, Rosewood Piano, one Gold Watch, Sewing Machine, Parlor Suites, Enameled Furniture, Carpets, Rich Chandeliers, Paintings, &c.—F. COLTON will sell, THIS DAY (Friday), Dec. 18, at 10½ o'clock, at No. 734 Broadway, opposite New-York Hotel, a very large and choice assortment of rich rosewood, mahogany, black walnut and oak parlor, dining-room and bedroom furniture, marble-top centre and card-tables, extension do., French plate, pier and mantel mirrors, damask and brocatel curtains, carpets and oil-cloths, ten full suites of enameled cottage furniture, large lot of bronze and glass chandeliers, one or two sewing machines, one rosewood piano-forte, 7-octave, City make; silver-plated ware, hair mattresses, refrigerators, office desks, oil-paintings, &c. Also, a large assortment of plain second-hand furniture. Sale positive.

E. H. Ludlow, Auctioneer.

EXECUTOR'S SALE OF CHOICE OLD MADEIRA AND SHERRY WINES, &c., &c.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction, on MONDAY, Dec. 21, 1863, at 12 o'clock, at the salesroom No. 3 Pine-st., by order of the executors of the estate of [illegible], deceased.

A choice collection of fine old Madeira and Sherry Wines, &c., in demijohns and bottles, consisting of March and Benson Madeira, Bramin via India, 1826; do. do. per ship Howard, 1836; Blackburn Madeira; S. S. Gordon Madeira, in magnums, (bought of D. Lynch); Remington, Phelps & Co.; Madeira, vintage of 1812; Sercial Madeira; Yriate & Dyar's Pale Sherry, 1820; Hermitage; Washington Morton, Bordeaux; Sauterne; St. Peray; Pichon De Longueville Claret, 1842; Jamaica Rum, Whisky, &c.

The above wines are all choice, and well worthy the attention of connoisseurs.

Samples and catalogues ready on Friday, 18th inst., at the office of the auctioneers, No. 3 Pine-st.

David Scott, Auctioneer.

PEREMPTORY SALE OF SIX VALUABLE LOTS IN JERSEY CITY.—Will be sold at public auction, on FRIDAY, Dec. 18, 1863, at 2 o'clock P. M., on the premises, the six valuable lots for manufacturing purposes, situated on Morgan and Bay sts., between Greene and Washington sts., and adjoining the machine works of Secor & Co. Sale positive to close a trust.

Henry H. Leeds & Co., Auctioneers.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL at auction, on SATURDAY, Dec. 19, at 12 o'clock, in front of store, No. 23 Nassau-st., a bay horse, 15½ hands high, long tail, 7 years old, warranted perfectly sound, kind and gentle; not afraid of locomotives.

Also, a well-made double-seat box wagon, in good order, [illegible].

AUCTION SALES.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE.

In the Circuit Court of the United States, District of Indiana, November Term, 1863.

Robert L. Cutting vs. the President and Directors of the Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, et al.

NOTICE is hereby given, that on the 16th day January, A. D. 1864, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the Court-house, in the city of Indianapolis, County of Marion, and State of Indiana, the undersigned, the Marshal of the United States of the District aforesaid, by virtue of a certified copy of the decree rendered and made by the Court in the above entitled cause, issued by the Clerk of said Court, will sell at auction and public outcry, the following described property and rights of the said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, to wit:

The Peru and Indianapolis Railroad, running and extending from Peru, in the County of Miami, and State of Indiana, through the Counties of Miami, Howard, Tipton, Hamilton and Marion, to the City of Indianapolis, in said County of Marion; and all and singular the land and real estate of which the said Railroad Company was on the 5th day of March, 1856, or now is seized or possessed, together with all the land under and on each side of the track, to the whole width and extent that the said Company was or is seized or possessed of the same, together with the superstructure, tracks and rails thereon, and the bridges, viaducts, fences, depot grounds, and buildings thereon, engines, cars, tools, materials, machinery, and all the personal property, rights thereto or interest therein of the said Company; and also all that certain piece of land extending from the termination of the said Railroad at Peru to the Lake Erie, Wabash and St. Louis Railroad, acquired or to be acquired by said Company, and the road built or to be built thereon, with the superstructure and rails placed or to be placed thereon and all the depot grounds acquired or to be acquired, and all other property, real or personal, acquired or to be acquired by said Company; and also all the tolls, rents and income to be had or levied from the said Railroad extending from Peru to Indianapolis and the extension thereof to the Lake Erie, Wabash and St. Louis Railroad, now called the Toledo and Wabash Railway Company, and all franchises, rights, and privileges of the said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company of, in, to, or concerning the same and any and every part thereof.

The rents and profits of said property will first be offered for sale, and, upon failing to realize a sufficient sum to satisfy the demand due upon said decree, I will, at the same time and place, in like manner, offer for sale the fee simple of the property, effects, rights and franchises above described, ordered to be sold as the property of the said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company in the above-entitled suit.

The sale will be made without relief from the valuation and appraisement laws of the State of Indiana, and said property, &c., will be sold as an entirety, and subject to the prior and paramount lien of the deed of trust or mortgage executed by said Company on the 1st day of July, 1852, to James Winslow, as Trustee, to secure the payment of the bonds of the Company, amounting to $600,000, and interest thereon, which interest, unpaid on the 1st day of July, 1863, amounted to $89,734 [illegible], and also subject to the rights and claims of the judgment recovered by the Madison and Indianapolis Railroad Company against said Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company, in the Fall of 1855, in the Circuit Court of Marion County, Indiana, for $37,327, and which judgment has been assigned to Francis H. Cutting. The purchase money must be paid at the time the property is struck down, and upon default the property may again be offered and sold, the purchaser so failing to pay being responsible for any loss upon the reselling.

DAVID G. ROSE, U. S. Marshal.

Wm. Henderson, Hendricks & Hord, Attorneys for complainant.
Nov. 13, 1863.

Edward Schenck, Auctioneer.

ELEGANT CABINET FURNITURE.

PEREMPTORY SALE OF THE ENTIRE STOCK OF M. BERLITZ, ESQ.,

who is retiring from business.

By EDWARD SCHENCK, on MONDAY and TUESDAY, Dec. 21 and 22, at 10½ A. M., at the warerooms No. 538 Hudson-st., corner of Charles-st. The entire elegant stock, consisting of elegant carved rosewood and mahogany suites, covered in brocatel, moquet rose and haircloth, etageres, centre-tables, in all different styles, card-tables, bookcases, in rosewood and black walnut, elegant rosewood and mahogany and black walnut bedsteads, bureaus, commodes and washstands, easy and rocking chairs, reception chairs, lounges, in moquet and reps, elegant dining-room suites, in oak and black walnut, buffets, dining-chairs, and a large assortment of every description of first-class furniture. The above may be examined at any time previous to the sale, which will be positive and without reserve. Purchasers can have their furniture packed and shipped in the best manner, or it may remain at the store free of charge until Jan. 1.

E. H. Ludlow, Auctioneer.

FIVE VALUABLE LOTS, SOUTHWEST CORNER OF 5TH-AV. AND 120TH-ST.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction, on SATURDAY, Dec. 19, 1863, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, (Trinity Building,) New-York, southwest corner of 5th-av. and 120th-st. The 5 valuable lots opposite Mount Morris-square, as described on the diagram. Full particulars at the office of the Auctioneers, E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st., near Broadway.

Henry H. Leeds & Co., Auctioneers.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL at auction, at the gallery of JOHN SNEDECOR, No. 768 Broadway, New-York, on FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 18, at 7½ o'clock,

A FINE COLLECTION OF OIL-PAINTINGS, BY A. F. TAIT,

comprising Hunting and Fishing Scenes, Deer, Fawn, Quail, Woodcock, Grouse, Chickens, Dead Game, &c., &c. Paintings now exhibiting from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. daily.

PROPOSALS.

ARMOR PLATES.

Navy Department, Washington, Nov. 27, 1863.

The Department will, until the 21st day of December next, receive proposals for the delivery at each of the Navy-yards at Portsmouth, N. H., Charlestown, Mass., Brooklyn, N. Y., and Philadelphia, of the following described side armor, stringers and deck-plating for one vessel at each yard. The proposition may be separately for the side armor, stringers and deck-plating, and may be for one or more vessels, but it must embrace the whole of each description of iron for a vessel; that is, the deck-plating, the stringers, or the side armor may be bid for separately.

DECK ARMOR.

Eleven hundred (1,100) wrought iron plates, more or less, ten (10) feet long, thirty-two (32) inches wide, and one and one-half (1½) inch thick.

A portion of these plates will be sheared to suit the curvature of the side line of the vessel; also to fit around the turrets and hatches, for which plans will be furnished to the contractors. To be of the best iron, ends and edges square, straight, and planed true to the sizes given. The whole to be delivered within ten (10) months from the date of contract.

WROUGHT IRON STRINGERS.

Three thousand and twenty (3,020) lineal feet of iron stringers, eight (8) inches square, except at the stern and stem, where they will taper one way for the length of about forty (40) feet on each end of the vessel to about three (3) inches. These stringers to be in length twenty-three (23) feet six (6) inches, the ends to be fitted together with a proper scarph one (1) foot long; one-half of the scarph to be taken from the end of each. There will be four ranges of these stringers on each side of the vessel. To be made of the best iron, ends and edges square and straight, true to the sizes given. The whole to be delivered in eight (8) months from the date of the contract.

SIDE ARMOR.

One hundred and forty-six (146) plates of wrought iron, three (3) inches in thickness, of the following lengths and widths, viz.:

1 plate 15 feet long by 30 inches wide.
33 plates 15 feet long by 30 inches wide.
1 plate 10 feet 4 inches long by 33 inches wide.
24 plates 15 feet long by 31 inches wide.
2 plates 16 feet 2 inches long by 28 inches wide.
1 plate 10 feet 9 inches long by 30 inches wide.
54 plates 7 feet 7 inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 6¾ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 6½ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 6¼ inches long by 45 inches wide.
2 plates 7 feet 6 inches long by 45 inches wide.
2 plates 7 feet 5¾ inches long by 45 inches wide.
2 plates 7 feet 5½ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 5¼ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 5 inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 4¾ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 4 inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 3¾ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 3½ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 3¼ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 3 inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 2½ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 2¼ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 2 inches long by 45 inches wide.
2 plates 7 feet 1¾ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 1½ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 1¼ inches long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet 1 inch long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet ¾ inch long by 45 inches wide.
1 plate 7 feet ½ inch long by 45 inches wide.
10 plates 7 feet long by 45 inches wide.
3 plates 10 feet long by 36 inches wide.
1 plate 10 feet 2 inches long by 33 inches wide.

The whole of the side-armor to be made from the best iron, ends and edges to be square and straight, and planed true to the sizes given. To be delivered in nine (9) months from the date of the contract.

The whole of the iron to be of a quality that will bear a tensile strain of twenty-two (22) United States tons to the square inch.

No bids will be received except from parties having establishments capable of doing this work, and their establishments will be examined before a contract will be awarded.

Particulars will be given on application to the commandant of the Brooklyn, New-York, Navy-yard.

The contract will embrace the usual conditions, and the Department reserves the right to reject any or all the proposals that may be made under this advertisement if, in its opinion, the public interests require.

The proposition must state the price per pound for which each class of the iron will be delivered in the respective Navy-yards, and must be accompanied by a guarantee that the parties will execute a contract if awarded to them.

"Note.—The side armor of each vessel will be [illegible] the quantity of [illegible] two hundred and ninety-two (292) plates in number.

PROPOSALS FOR CAVALRY HORSES.

Office of the Chief Quartermaster, Washington, D. C., Nov. 25, 1863.

Proposals are solicited, and will be received at this office, for the furnishing of cavalry horses, to be delivered at Washington, D. C., St. Louis, Mo., and Chicago, Ill.

The horses to comply with the following specifications, viz.: to be from fifteen (15) to sixteen (16) hands high, from five (5) to nine (9) years old, well broken to the saddle, compactly built, in good flesh and free from all defects.

The ability of the bidder to fulfill his agreement must be guaranteed by two responsible persons, whose signatures must be appended to the guarantee. [illegible]

[illegible] purchased in open market at fair prices, at the following places, viz.: New-York City, Albany, Buffalo and [illegible], N. Y.; Pittsburgh, Penn.; Columbus, Ohio; [illegible]

C. G. SAWTELLE, Lieut.-Col. and Chief Quartermaster, Cavalry Bureau.

PROPOSALS.

Office of Assistant Commissary-General of Subsistence, No. 4 State-street, New-York, Dec. 16, 1863.

SEALED PROPOSALS (IN DUPLICATE) will be received by the undersigned until 4 o'clock P. M., on TUESDAY, the 22d inst., for supplying for the use of the United States Army, SUBSISTENCE STORES, to be delivered in New-York or Brooklyn, as follows, viz.:

8,765 barrels first quality PORK, MESS or PRIME MESS, of the packs of 1862-3 or 1863-4, in full-hooped oak or ash barrels, with iron master-hoops, same to be free from rust or stain, full weight and thoroughly salted; bidders will state when their pork was packed, and the brands, if known, also the kind of barrel.

1,000 barrels NEW MESS or EXTRA MESS BEEF, in full-hooped oak barrels, with two iron hoops; bidders will state the brands and will exhibit samples when practicable.

The Pork and Beef to be received at such inspection yards as shall be agreed to by the undersigned.

Proposers who are not able to deliver their Pork at the dates mentioned below, may state the time when they can deliver it.

237,000 pounds first quality THOROUGHLY SMOKED BACON SIDES.

175,000 pounds of first quality THOROUGHLY CURED SMOKED HAMS. Proposers will state whether their Hams are pickled cured or dry salted, also their average weight.

100,000 pounds first quality canvased sugar-cured SMOKED HAMS.

The Hams will be paid for by their net weight, excluding paper wrappers and bagging.

The bacon and hams to be delivered in bulk for inspection and packing, at such points in the City of New-York as may be designated.

5,300 barrels of first quality extra superfine Southern, St. Louis, or other brands of FLOUR, suitable for keeping in a warm climate. The brands and place of manufacture to be stated in the bids, and whether in round or flat hoop barrels. The barrels to be full head-lined and bungs sealed.

500 barrels first quality kiln-dried CORN MEAL.

1,000 bushels first quality SPLIT PEAS, 60 pounds to the bushel, to be packed in suitable barrels or half-barrels, which to be stated.

532,000 pounds of RICE, in clean, good, stout oak barrels, like samples to be seen at this office.

134,000 pounds of RICE, in double sacks, like samples to be seen at this office, containing one hundred pounds each.

30,000 pounds carefully selected TEA, in original packages, ⅓ Green, ⅓ Souchong, ⅓ Oolong; packages to be well strapped and in perfect order. Cargo and chop-marks to be stated on the proposals. Each sample must be marked in full with the name of the party offering, the cargo and chop-mark, price and quantity offered.

1,000,000 pounds of dry, light-yellow COFFEE SUGAR, or choice dry raw SUGAR; barrels to be new and of the best in use for the purpose, and to be full head-lined.

30,000 GALLONS of the best quality of PURE VINEGAR, made only from cider or whisky, free from all foreign acids and injurious substances, and of a uniform strength, the whisky vinegar taking thirty-five grains bi-carbonate of potash to neutralize one ounce Troy, the cider vinegar as near the same strength as may be; to be put up in barrels, or in half barrels of 32 gallons capacity, like samples at this office. Each proposal must state distinctly the kind and quality of vinegar offered and the kind of package.

130,000 pounds best quality of ADAMANTINE CANDLES, to be 16 ounces to the pound, one-half sixes, the remainder twelves.

5,000 pounds best quality of SPERM CANDLES, to be 16 ounces to the pound.

375,000 pounds good hard SOAP, to be made only from good materials, free from clay, soluble glass, or other adulteration, to have no unpleasant odor, to contain not more than twenty-five per cent. of water, and to be well dried before being packed.

50,000 pounds Liverpool ground SALT, in sacks.

12,000 pounds PEPPER (black.) Bidders will please state the variety of pepper, as Sumatra, Singapore, Penang, &c., furnishing samples, and also state the price per pound at which they will have it ground, put up in four-ounce papers, and packed in boxes containing twenty-five pounds.

25,000 gallons good MOLASSES or SYRUP, in barrels, or cypress half-barrels with pine heads, and at least four iron hoops.

53,429 gallons of good common WHISKY, to be full first-proof, according to the United States Custom-house standard. Barrels to be of good seasoned white oak staves and heads; to have twelve wood and four strong iron hoops; heads and iron hoops painted. Returns required from R. Pyatt & Co., Inspectors.

2,000 gallons of superior BOURBON WHISKY; barrels to be of good seasoned white oak staves and heads, to have twelve wooded and four strong iron hoops, heads and iron hoops painted. Returns required from R. Pyatt & Co., Inspectors.

100,000 pounds first quality DRIED APPLES, in strong, tight barrels.

10,000 gallons mixed PICKLES, in ten-gallon kegs; each keg to contain six gallons medium-sized cucumbers, two gallons green peppers, and two gallons onions.

All the above articles to be delivered in three equal installments on the 4th, 11th and 18th of January, 1864.

POTATOES—Such quantities as may be required during the month of January, 60 pounds to the bushel, in good ordinary, well-coopered barrels.

ONIONS—Such quantities as may be required during the month of January, 60 pounds to the bushel, in good ordinary well-coopered barrels.

Separate proposals, *in duplicate*, must be made for each article enumerated, and bidders may propose for the whole or any part of each.

Samples of all the articles, except the meats must be delivered with the proposals, and referred to therein. Samples of Flour, Corn Meal, Peas, Rice, Tea, Sugar, Salt, Pepper and Dried Apples, must be in neat boxes of card-board or tin, fully labeled, *and not in paper parcels*.

A printed copy of this advertisement must be attached to each proposal, and the proposals must be specific in complying precisely with all the terms. Each bid to have consideration must contain the written guarantee of two responsible names, as follows:

"We the undersigned, hereby guaranty that should all or any part of the above bid be accepted, it shall be duly fulfilled according to its true purport and conditions; also, that a written contract, with bonds to the amount of one-fourth the value of the stores proposed to be furnished, shall be executed, if required."

The seller's name, place of business, and the date of purchase, as well as the name of contents, with gross, tare and net weights, and shipping marks, to be hereafter designated, must be plainly marked on every package. All other marks must be obliterated. All boxes to be strapped with green hickory straps.

Certificates of inspection by professional packers or inspectors, *other than the party furnishing the provisions*, will be required for all the meats, certifying on the part of the seller their present quality and condition and the immediately preceding inspection. The meats will also be examined and passed upon by Robert P. Getty, inspector on the part of the United States.

The flour will be inspected at the date of delivery and compared with the retained samples, by Henry Shields, President of the Association of Flour Inspectors, whose certificate will be required.

All the stores will be carefully inspected before their delivery, and compared with the retained samples. Returns of weights, signed by a Professional Public Weigher, must be furnished whenever required.

Payment, as heretofore, to be made in such funds as may be furnished by the United States.

Contractors are expected to hold their goods, without expense to the United States, until required for shipment.

Blanks for Proposals will be furnished at this office, which must be inclosed in an envelope addressed to the undersigned, and indorsed "Proposals for Subsistence Stores."

A. B. EATON, Colonel and A. C. G. S.

Office Com. of Sub. Vol. Ser., No. 2 Bridge-st., New-York, Dec. 10, 1863.

SEALED PROPOSALS, TO BE INDORSED, "PROPOSALS FOR COOKED RATIONS," will be received by the undersigned, at this office, until 4 o'clock P. M. of MONDAY, the 21st inst., for supplying and delivering at such points *as may be required*, for one year from Jan. 1, 1864, or for such shorter period as may be directed by the Commissary-General of Subsistence, COOKED RATIONS to all troops in the service of the United States who may be in New-York City, or its immediate vicinity, as well as to those who may be en route, under military orders, for whom they may be required by the proper authority. The ration is to be served in three meals a day, and is to be fully equal in quality and equivalent in amount to the authorized ration of the United States army, which consists of the following articles and quantities for 100 complete rations, viz.:

75 pounds of Pork, or Bacon Sides, or Shoulders or Hams,
or 125 pounds of Salt or Fresh Beef.
137½ pounds of Flour or Soft Bread,
or 100 pounds of Hard Bread.
15 pounds of Beans or Peas,
or 10 pounds of Rice or Hominy.
8 pounds of Roasted and Ground Coffee,
or 10 pounds of Green Coffee,
or 1½ pounds of Tea.
15 pounds of Sugar.
1 gallon of Vinegar.
1¼ pounds of Adamantine Candles.
4 pounds of Soap.
3¾ pounds of Salt.
4 ounces of Black Pepper.
30 pounds of Potatoes.
1 quart of Molasses.

The bidder must state the price per ration for supplying, cooking and serving the same, *in a building furnished at public expense*, which price must include all other expenses, such as supplying table furniture, cooking apparatus, fuel, transportation of rations, &c.

The bidder must also state the price per ration for supplying, cooking and serving the same, *the contractor to furnish a suitable building*, which price must include all other expenses as above.

All bids must be accompanied by a guarantee, as follows:

We, the undersigned, hereby guarantee that in case the foregoing bid of ______ be accepted, it shall be duly fulfilled according to its true purport and conditions; also, that a written contract shall be executed, with bonds in the sum of $10,000.

Names of Guarantors.

To this must be attached a certificate signed by the U. S. District Judge, or U. S. District Attorney, or Collector of the Port, in form as follows:

"*I hereby certify that the above-named ______ are known to me as men of property, and are good and sufficient guarantors.*"

All bidders must give their names, in full, and also state their place of residence and of business.

Each bid must have a printed copy of this advertisement attached to it.

The Government reserves the right to reject any bid which seems unreasonable or disadvantageous to it.

No contract will be awarded to any person offering more than one bid, or naming more than one price, excepting as above indicated, or who is in any way interested in more than one offer.

F. H. MOORE, Capt. C. S. V. S.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF PROVISIONS AND CLOTHING, Dec. 11, 1863.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at this bureau until 2 o'clock on the 21st December, instant, for one thousand barrels Navy Beef, and fifteen hundred barrels Navy Pork. The Beef, Pork and barrels to conform to the Navy standard, with the exception of [illegible]; the same to be delivered at the Brooklyn Navy-Yard within [illegible] days after being notified of the acceptance of the proposal, and there undergo the usual inspection of the yard.

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MANUFACTURERS, DEALERS AND IMPORTERS are invited to send to this office price-lists of and tenders for any or all of the articles of medical and hospital supplies required for the use of the army. Copies of the Supply-table can be seen at the office of any Medical Purveyor. Further particulars may be known on application to

BENNETT STEVENS, Medical Storekeeper, U. S. Army, Medical Purveyor, [illegible].

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR FORAGE.

Chief Quartermaster's Office, Washington Depot, Dec. 8, 1863.

SEALED PROPOSALS are invited by the undersigned for supplying the United States Quartermaster's Department, at Washington, D. C., Baltimore, Md., Alexandria and Fort Monroe, Va., or either of these places, with Hay, Corn, Oats and Straw.

Bids will be received for the delivery of 5,000 bushels of corn or oats, and 50 tons of hay or straw, and upward.

Bidders must state at which of the above-named points they propose to make deliveries, and the rates at which they will make deliveries thereat, the quantity of each article proposed to be delivered, the time when said deliveries shall be commenced, and when to be completed.

The price must be written out in words on the bids.

Corn to be put up in good stout sacks, of about two bushels each. Oats in like sacks, of about three bushels each. The sacks to be furnished without extra charge to the Government. The hay and straw to be securely baled.

The particular kind or description of oats, corn, hay or straw, proposed to be delivered must be stated in the proposals.

All the articles offered under the bids herein invited, will be subject to a rigid inspection by the Government Inspector before being accepted.

Contracts will be awarded from time to time to the lowest responsible bidder, as the interest of the Government may require, and payment will be made when the whole amount contracted for shall have been delivered and accepted.

The bidder will be required to accompany his proposal with a guarantee, signed by two responsible persons, that in case his bid is accepted, he or they will, within ten days thereafter, execute the contract for the same, with good and sufficient sureties, in a sum equal to the amount of the contract, to deliver the forage proposed in conformity with the terms of this advertisement; and in case the said bidder should fail to enter into the contract, they to make good the difference between the offer of said bidder and the next lowest responsible bidder, or the person to whom the contract may be awarded.

The responsibility of the guarantors must be shown by the official certificate of a United States District-Attorney, Collector of Customs, or any other officer under the United States Government, or responsible person known to this office.

All bidders will be duly notified of the acceptance or rejection of their proposals.

The full name and Post-office address of each bidder must be legibly written in the proposal.

Proposals must be addressed to Brigadier-General D. H. Rucker, Chief Depot Quartermaster, Washington, D. C., and should be plainly marked "Proposals for Forage."

Bonds, in a sum equal to the amount of the contract, signed by the contractor and both of his guarantors, will be required of the successful bidder or bidders upon signing the contract.

Blank forms of bids, guarantees, and bonds, may be obtained upon application at this office.

FORM OF PROPOSAL.

(Town, County, and State.) ______

(Date.) ______

I, the subscriber, do hereby propose to furnish and deliver to the United States, at the Quartermaster's Department, at ______, agreeably to the terms of your advertisement, inviting proposals for forage, dated Washington, Depot, Dec. 8, 1863, the following articles, viz.:

—— bushels of Corn, in sacks, at —— per bushel of 56 pounds.
—— bushels of Oats, in sacks, at —— per bushel of 32 pounds.
—— tons of baled Hay, at —— per ton of 2,000 pounds.
—— tons of baled Straw, at —— per ton of 2,000 pounds.

Delivery to commence on or before the —— day of ——, 186 , and to be completed on or before the —— day of ——, 186 , and pledge myself to enter into a written contract with the United States, with good and approved securities, within the space of ten days after being notified that my bid has been accepted.

Your obedient servant, ______

Brigadier-General D. H. Rucker, Chief Depot Quartermaster, Washington, D. C.

GUARANTEE.

We, the undersigned, residents of ______, in the County of ______, and State of ______, hereby, jointly and severally, covenant with the United States, and guarantee in case the foregoing bid of ______ be accepted, that he or they will, within ten days after the acceptance of said bid, execute the contract for the same with good and sufficient sureties, in a sum equal to the amount of the contract, to furnish the forage proposed in conformity to the terms of advertisement dated Dec. 8, 1863, under which the bid was made, and, in case the said ______ shall fail to enter into a contract as aforesaid, we guarantee to make good the difference between the offer by the said ______ and the next lowest responsible bidder, or the person to whom the contract may be awarded.

Witness, ______ } Given under our hands and seals this —— day of ——, 186 .
[Seal.]
[Seal.]

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the above-named guarantors are good and sufficient as sureties for the amount for which they offer to be security. ______

To be certified by the United States District-Attorney, Collector of Customs, or any other officer under the United States Government, or responsible person known to this office.

All proposals received under this advertisement will be opened and examined at this office on Wednesday and Saturday of each week, at 12 M. Bidders are respectfully invited to be present, at the opening of bids if they desire.

D. H. RUCKER, Brigadier-General and Quartermaster.

ARMY SUPPLIES.

Office of Army Clothing and Equipage, No. 202 Broadway, New-York, Dec. 12, 1863.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 12 o'clock, M., on MONDAY, the 28th inst., for furnishing by contract, at the Depot of Army Clothing and Equipage, in New-York City,

Cavalry Jackets.
Light Artillery Jackets.
Great Coats, Infantry.
Great Coats, Cavalry.
Flannel Sack Coats, lined.
Flannel Sack Coats, unlined.
Trousers, Infantry.
Trousers, Cavalry.
Flannel Drawers.
Knit Drawers.
Flannel Shirts.
Knit Shirts.
Stockings.
Blankets, Woolen, domestic manufacture.
Blankets, India Rubber.
Ponchos, India Rubber.
Bootees.
Boots.
Negro Brogans.
Great Coat Straps.
Hats, trimmed, Infantry.
Hat Cords and Tassels, Cavalry.
Hat Cords and Tassels, Hospital Stewards.
Brass Letters, A to M.
Forage Caps.
Worsted Sashes.
Chevrons, Ordnance Sergeants, (Silk.)
Chevrons, Hospital Stewards.
Chevrons, Service.
Chevrons, Cavalry, for Sergeant-Majors, Quartermasters' Sergeants, First Sergeants, Sergeants and Corporals.
Chevrons, Artillery, for Sergeant-Majors, Quartermasters' Sergeants, First Sergeants, Sergeants and Corporals.
Chevrons, Infantry, for Sergeant-Majors, Quartermasters' Sergeants, First Sergeants, Sergeants and Corporals.
Hospital Tents, Cotton and Linen.
Wall Tents, Cotton and Linen.
Common Tents, Cotton and Linen.
Hospital Tent Poles.
Wall Tent Poles.
Common Tent Poles.
Hospital Tent Pins.
Wall Tent Pins.
Common Tent Pins.
Camp Kettles.
Mess Pans.
Shovels.
National Colors, Artillery.
National Colors, Infantry.
Regimental Colors, Artillery.
Regimental Colors, Infantry.
Camp Colors, Artillery.
Camp Colors, Infantry.
Color Cords and Tassels, Artillery.
Color Cords and Tassels, Infantry.
Garrison Flags.
Storm Flags.
Garrison and Storm Flag Halliards.
Recruiting Flags.
Knapsacks, complete.
Canteens, complete.
Drums, complete, Infantry, full size.
Fifes, "B," "C" and "E."
Company Order Books.
Company Clothing Account Books.
Company Descriptive Books.
Company Morning Report Books.
Regimental General Order Books.
Regimental Letter Books.
Regimental Descriptive Books.
Regimental Index Books.
Regimental Order Books.

Samples or specifications of which can be seen at this office. Bidders will present samples of the articles or the materials of which the articles are to be made, which they propose to deliver, and state in their proposals the quantity they wish to furnish; how soon they can commence; and within what time they can deliver the full quantity they bid for.

A written guarantee, signed by two responsible persons, must accompany each bid, setting forth that if a contract is awarded to the party mentioned therein he will at once execute a contract and give bonds for its faithful performance.

The rights reserved to the United States, to reject any part or the whole of the bids, as may be deemed for the interest of the service.

Proposals should be indorsed "Proposals for furnishing (here insert the articles bid for,)" and address to

Lieut.-Col. D. H. VINTON, Deputy Quartermaster-General U. S. Army.

Quartermaster's Office, No. 6 State-st., New-York, Dec. 17, 1863.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at this office, until 2 o'clock P. M. SATURDAY, 19th inst., for the following quantities of Lumber, viz.:

35,000 feet pine shelving boards, ¾ inch, planed both sides.
35,000 feet spruce flooring plank, wide, 1¼ inch, tongued and grooved and planed one side.
16,000 feet pine ceiling boards wide, tongued and grooved and planed one side.
15,000 feet plank, rough, 1½ inch, good box.
10,000 feet plank, rough, 1¼ inch, good box.
8,000 feet plank, rough, 1 inch, good box.
115,000 feet plank, rough, 1 inch, good box.
2,000 pieces spruce, rough, 3x4 inch, 20 feet and over.
2,000 pieces spruce, rough, 1½ inch.
2,000 pieces hemlock joist, 4x6.
2,000 pieces hemlock joist, 3x5.
[illegible] feet white pine lumber, ⅞ inch thick, 10 inches wide, 20 feet long, planed both sides.
[illegible] feet white pine lumber, ⅞ inch thick, 12 to 14 inches wide, 20 feet long, planed both sides.

The above Lumber to be inspected by the Government Inspector, and delivered alongside vessels free of expense to the United States. Payment to be made in such funds as the Government may provide for the purpose. The privilege is reserved of rejecting any or all bids not deemed advantageous.

Offerings will be indorsed "Proposals for Lumber," and addressed to Major STEWART VAN VLIET, Quartermaster U. S. A., New-York.

PROPOSALS.

Chief Quartermaster's Office, Washington Depot, Nov. 17, 1863.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the office of Capt. C. H. Tompkins, A. Q. M., U. S. A., at the corner of 22d and G sts., in this city, until Monday, Dec. 21, 1863, at 12 o'clock M., for the sale of all the manure now on hand, or that may be produced at stables and corrals of this Depot within the next twelve months succeeding the date of the letting of the contract.

The manure will be awarded to the highest bidder or bidders, who will be required to take it away at his or their own expense. The quantity now on hand to be taken away within six months from the date of contract, and that which may accumulate, within six months from the date at which it may be produced.

Bids must be made at so much per cubic yard.

Bids will be received for the quantity on hand, and the subsequent product at each stable and corral, separately, or for the whole together.

If a bid is made in the name of a firm, the names of all the parties must appear, or it will be considered as the individual proposal of the party signing it.

The full name and post-office address of the bidder must appear in the proposal.

Proposals must be addressed to Capt. C. H. Tompkins, A. Q. M., U. S. A., Washington, D. C., and should be plainly marked "Proposals for Manure."

Payment will be required to be made in Government funds, at the end of each month, for the manure removed during the month.

An oath of allegiance will be required from each successful bidder.

Good and sufficient bonds, in the sum of ($1,000) one thousand dollars, will be required of each successful bidder for the faithful performance of his contract.

The Quartermaster reserves the right to reject all bids that may be deemed to the interest of Government not to accept.

D. H. RUCKER, Brigadier-General and Chief Quartermaster, Depot Washington.

Office Commissary of Subsistence, No. 4 State-st., New-York, Dec. 16, 1863.

TO OVEN BUILDERS.—SEALED PROPOSALS, in duplicate, will be received by the undersigned until 10 o'clock A. M., on SATURDAY, the 19th inst., for building Bread Ovens at Fort Richmond, Staten Island. The dimensions and specifications of said ovens will be given on application at this office. Each bid must have a printed copy of this advertisement attached, and must be accompanied by references for skill and competency in this particular branch of masonry, and indorsed "Proposals for Building Ovens."

FRANCIS E. BERIER, Capt., C. S.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.

The attention of capitalists seeking Real Estate investments is invited to the fact that

The population of the City of Newark nearly doubled between the years 1845 and 1855, and that it increased from 46,000 in 1853 to 70,000 in 1857, and is now about 85,000.

No reason exists why this increase should not continue.

The subscriber has for sale three parcels of Newark lots, which are regarded as very desirable for investment.

One of them consists of about 200 lots within a few minutes' walk of the Market-st. depot, valued at $350 to $500 each; another consists of about 160 lots, valued at $300 each; and the third of about 60 lots, valued at $50 to $100 each.

For other particulars apply to

WARD McLEAN, (Late Field & McLean,) No. 19 Wall-st.

FOR SALE.—A NEWLY FINISHED HOUSE, containing 11 rooms, with 4 acres of land and plenty of fruit, pleasantly situated at Englewood, on the Northern Railroad of New-Jersey. Price $8,000. Also, 16 acres, with house and farm buildings, in a desirable neighborhood, for $1,280.
N. G. FOSTER, No. 167 Broadway.

ORANGE, N. J.—VILLAS, VILLA SITES AND farms, a great variety, beautifully situated, one hour from New-York, for sale low. Also, country seats and houses to let for the season or year, by HENRY B. BLACKWELL, No. 50 William-st., New-York, 9 to 11 A. M.; No. 40 Main-st., Orange, 1 to 5 P. M.

FOR SALE—4 LOTS, 25 FEET BY 102 FEET 2 inches each, on block bounded by 73d and 74th sts. and 1st and 2d avs. Inquire of S. LANE, Jr., No. 217 Canal-st., New-York.

FOR SALE—THE FIVE-STORY BRICK HOUSE and lot No. 29 Stuyvesant-st. Apply to MULLER, WILKINS & CO., No. 5½ Pine-st.

COUNTRY RESIDENCES.

COUNTRY RESIDENCE AT A GREAT BARGAIN.—To close an estate, a handsome country residence at Asbury, Warren Co., N. J., is offered for sale. It is distant from New-York by railroad 2½ hours ride; is situated in the most healthful and cultivated part of New-Jersey; has mountain air, pure water, good neighbors, schools, churches, &c., to make it desirable. The place has about 19 acres of land, a large modern house, with parlors, library, dining-room, large kitchen, wide hall, double stairways, bath-room, 7 bedrooms and servants' room, furnace, &c., &c.

About six acres are laid out in ornamental grounds, beautifully hedged, abundance of shade trees and choice fruit of all kinds, and flowers.

The outbuildings are barns large and ample, ornamental and ice-house, wood and other sheds, henery, &c.

The place will be sold at a bargain if applied for at once. It cost over $12,000, but will be sold at less. Terms easy. Apply to RANDOLPH BROS., No. 211 Broadway, Room No. 28.

COUNTRY RESIDENCE FOR SALE—LOCATED in Washington County, N. Y., on the Hudson River, a few miles from a railroad station, and about ten miles from Saratoga Springs; four acres of land, comfortable old-fashioned white house, well shaded grounds, good barn and other outbuildings. Price, $3,500. A desirable Summer residence. For further particulars inquire of WM. B. WATKINS, No. 62 Reade-st., N. Y., or JOHN A. PATTISON, Argyle, Washington County, N. Y.

TO LET—IN FAIRFIELD, CONN.—A LARGE and conveniently situated house, being five minutes' walk from depot and churches, will be let for $125 until the 1st of May next. Can be had for a longer term for $350 per annum. Apply to the POSTMASTER, Fairfield.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—LOT 22X98; house four stories, with modern improvements, and in first-rate order; the location is one of the pleasantest in the City. Apply at No. 22 Lamartine-place, from 11 to 3 o'clock. Price, $14,000.

ORANGE, N. J.—WANTED, TO PURCHASE IN or near Orange, N. J., a modern built house, with from one to five acres. Address, with price, J. W., Box No. 3,190, New-York Post-office.

FARMS.

FOR SALE—A FARM ON LONG ISLAND, FIFTEEN miles from the City, bordering on a beautiful lake, easy of access by railroad or water; has eighty acres of good land; old-fashioned house, good out-buildings, nearly new. For further particulars, inquire at No. 13 Reade-st. THOS. C. THORNE.

FOR SALE—A FARM ON LONG ISLAND, three miles north of Suffolk Station; new dwelling-house, first-class outbuildings, two fish-ponds, &c., and about 300 acres of land. For terms and particulars, apply to G. C. & E. J. GENET, No. 10 Pine-st.

TO LET.

FOR RENT.—THE AMERICAN BANK-NOTE Company offers for rent, until May 1, 1865, the whole of the upper or fifth floor of Trinity Building; also, the western half of the basement and sub-basement floors, to which there are entrances both on Trinity-place and Thames-street. These premises are furnished with water, gas and steam power.

The Company also offers for rent the second and third floors of the brick building, No. 76 John-st., where steam power can be obtained, if wanted. Apply to

WM. R. BLISS, Secretary of the American Bank-Note Company.

TO LET FURNISHED—A THREE-STORY frame house, with stable, in West 53d-st., near 8th-av. Apply to A. H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., No. 5½ Pine-st.

TO LET—THE BASEMENT UNDER THE TIMES Office, fronting Park-row. Inquire in office of the *Agriculturist*, No. 41 Park-row.

STEAM POWER TO LET—AT THE EMPIRE Works, foot of East 24th-st. SAMUEL LEGGETT.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

WANTED TO HIRE—A FURNISHED HOUSE, in a good neighborhood, no small children. Apply to B., Box No. 635 New-York Post-office.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

HOTEL DE LYON AND DE BERLIN.

No. 7 Rue du Conservatoire, Paris.
H. COEUILTE, Proprietor.
RESTAURANT TABLE D'HOTE.

A FAMILY (FOUR ADULTS) DESIRE A well-furnished front parlor and bed-rooms, in 2d story, with first-class board, in a family who have no other boarders. Price liberal. Location between 13th and 38th sts., and 6th and Lexington avs. Address Box No. 516 Post-office.

BOARD WANTED ON BROOKLYN HEIGHTS—One or two rooms, by a young gentleman and wife. Private Christian family preferred. Address, with particulars, W. H., Box No. 1,564 New-York Post-office.

BOARD WANTED.—A FAMILY OF SIX PERSONS wish accommodation in a private house, with private table. Must be in the best neighborhood. Address B., Box No. 685 New-York Post-office.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

FOR SALE—A HANDSOME, STYLISH COUPE, nearly new. Apply at the carriage establishment of WOOD BROTHERS, Broadway, just above the Metropolitan Hotel.

Danl. H. Burdett, Auctioneer.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE.

BY BURDETT, JONES & CO.

By virtue of an order of the United States Circuit Court for the State of New-York, to me directed and delivered, I will sell at public auction, on the 21st day of December, at 12 o'clock at noon, on board thereof, the prize ship ALLIANCE, her tackle, &c., as she now lies.

N. B.—The above vessel now lies at Union-st., Brooklyn. R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.

December 4, 1863.

Assistant Quartermaster's Office, Corner G and 22d streets, Washington, D. C., Nov. 27, 1863.

NOTICE—WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION on WEDNESDAYS, the 9th and 23d December, 1863, at the Corral, near the Observatory in this city, a lot of public horses and mules condemned as unfit for public service.

Terms cash in Government funds. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.

C. H. TOMPKINS, Capt. and A. Q. M., U. S. A.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

Provost-Marshal's Office, Ninth Congressional District, State of New-York, (7th-av., northwest corner of West 45th-st.) New-York, Dec. 15, 1863.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

The printed lists of the names and residences of all persons enrolled under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1863, as subject to do military duty in each sub-District of the Ninth Congressional District of the State of New-York, consisting of the Twelfth, Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards of the City of New-York, and Blackwell's, Ward's and Randall's Islands, are at these headquarters for the inspection of the public. Copies thereof are also exposed to view at each of the several places where the polls were held at the recent charter election.

Any person enrolled may appear before the Board of Enrollment of this district and claim to have his name stricken off the list, if he can show to the satisfaction of the Board that he is not, and will not be at the time fixed for the next draft, (Jan. 5, 1864,) liable to military duty on account of

First—Alienage.
Second—Non-residence.
Third—Unsuitableness of age.
Fourth—Manifest permanent physical disability.

The time fixed by the order of the Provost-Marshal-General for hearing such cases will expire on the 20th December, 1863, after which no cases will be heard unless such time shall be extended by the proper authority.

CHAS. E. JENKINS, Captain and Provost-Marshal, Ninth Congressional District, N. Y.

Office of the Board of Commissioners of Pilots, No. 69 South-st., New-York, Dec. 17, 1863.

NOTICE.—PURSUANT TO RESOLUTIONS OF the Board of Commissioners of Pilots, adopted at a regular meeting of said Board, held Dec. 15, 1863, at their office, above indicated, all owners of vessels or craft now sunk in the waters of the Port and Harbor of New-York at or near Piers Nos. 51, 52, 53, and 54, North River, are hereby notified to remove the same, with all their cargoes and appurtenances, within three days from this date, or the same will be removed at the risk and expense of said owners, as provided by law.

By order of the Board of Commissioners of Pilots.

D. A. NASH, Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:

For a sewer in Fifty-fourth-street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

For a sewer in Fifty-ninth-street, between Second and Third avenues.

For regulating and setting curb and gutter in West-street, from Hammond to Gansevoort, and, in the intervening streets between Hammond to Gansevoort, from Washington to West streets.

For setting curb and gutter and flagging in Ninety-third-street, between Third and Fourth avenues.

For flagging and reflagging in Forty-first-street, between Broadway and Eighth-avenue.

For building a basin at the northwest corner of Broadway and Twenty-fifth-street.

For fencing vacant lots in Fourteenth-street, next the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

For fencing and filling lots at the southwest corner of Twenty-third-street and First-avenue.

For paving Forty-second-street with trap-block from Fifth to Sixth avenues, Ninth-avenue from Twenty-third to Thirty-fourth streets, and Fifty-fourth-street from Third to Sixth avenues.

The limits embraced by such assessment include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated as follows:

All the lots on both sides of Fifty-fourth-street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

All the lots on both sides of Fifty-ninth-street, between Second and Third avenues.

All the lots on both sides of West-street, from Perry to West Twelfth-street, and all the lots on both sides of the intervening streets between Perry and West Twelfth streets, from Washington to West-street.

All the lots on both sides of Ninety-third-street, between Third and Fourth avenues.

All the lots on the south side of Forty-first-street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, and the lot at the northeast corner of Forty-first-street and Seventh avenue.

All the property at the northeast corner of Broadway and Twenty-fifth-street, to the distance of one hundred and sixty feet on Twenty-fifth-street, and ninety-five feet on Broadway, from the corner of Twenty-fifth-street.

All those lots known as Ward numbers 1,904 and 1,905 in the Eighteenth Ward; also Ward Map numbers 1,130, 1,131 and 1,132, at the southwest corner of First-avenue and Twenty-third-street.

All the lots on both sides of Forty-second-street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, and all the lots on the east side of Sixth avenue to the distance of one hundred feet north and one hundred feet south of Forty-second-street.

All the lots on both sides of Ninth-avenue, and upon both sides of the intersecting streets to the extent of half the block either way, from Ninth-avenue, between Twenty-third and Thirty-fourth streets.

All the lots to the extent of half the block north and south of Fifty-fourth-street, between Third and Sixth avenues.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing, to one of the undersigned, at their office, number thirty-two Chambers-street, basement New Court-house, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

CHAS. McNEILL,
JACOB F. OAKLEY, } Board of Assessors.
WM. A. DOOLEY.

Office Board of Assessors, New Court-house, Dec. 5, 1863.

THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL AFFAIRS will meet every day, until further notice, in the Chamber of the Board of Aldermen, at 1 o'clock P. M. Parties having business with the Committee are respectfully invited to attend.

Alderman TERENCE FARLEY,
Alderman PETER MITCHELL,
Alderman JOHN T. HENRY,
Alderman F. I. A. BOOLE,
Alderman JOHN D. OTTIWELL,
Councilman WM. JOYCE,
Councilman SAMUEL WEBSTER,
Councilman JOHN McCONNELL,
Councilman ALEX. BRANDON,
Councilman JOHN S. HAVILAND.

THE COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENTS of the Board of Councilmen will meet every SATURDAY, at 12 o'clock M., in Room No. 8 City Hall.

CHARLES RILEY,
PATRICK RUSSELL,
WILLIAM JOYCE,
Committee on Assessments.

THE COMMITTEE ON ROADS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every FRIDAY, at two o'clock P. M., in Room number twelve, City Hall. All persons interested in matters pending the action of the Committee, are invited to attend.

TERENCE FARLEY,
JACOB M. LONG,
PETER MASTERSON,
Committee.

THE COMMITTEE ON SEWERS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock P. M., in Room number eight, City Hall. Parties interested in any matter before the Committee will have an opportunity of being heard.

GEORGE A. JEREMIAH,
TERENCE FARLEY,
CHARLES H. HALL,
Committee on Sewers.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS, of the Board of Aldermen, will meet every TUESDAY, in Room No. 8 City Hall, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of considering all papers referred to such Committee. All parties interested will please attend without further notice.

PETER MASTERSON,
JOHN FOX, } Committee on Public Buildings.
LEWIS R. RYERS,

THE COMMITTEE ON FIRE DEPARTMENT of the Board of Aldermen, will meet every SATURDAY, at two o'clock, in the City Library Room, City Hall.

JOHN McCOOL,
PETER MITCHELL,
LEWIS R. RYERS,
Committee on Fire Department.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH of the Board of Aldermen will meet in Room number twelve, City Hall, on TUESDAY of each week, at two o'clock P. M., until further notice. All persons interested in papers awaiting the action of the Committee are requested to attend.

TERENCE FARLEY,
JACOB M. LONG,
JOHN D. OTTIWELL,
Committee.

THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every WEDNESDAY, at 1 o'clock P. M., in Room No. 8, City Hall, for the purpose of investigating all papers referred to them. All persons interested are respectfully requested to appear before the Committee without further notice.

PETER MASTERSON,
GEO. A. JEREMIAH, } Committee on Police.
CHAS. H. HALL,

THE COMMITTEE ON LAMPS AND GAS of the Board of Councilmen will meet EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 1 o'clock P. M., until further notice, in Room No. 5 City Hall, for the purpose of investigating all papers referred to them. All persons interested are respectfully requested to appear before the Committee without further notice.

ALEX. BRANDON,
JAMES MURRAY, } Committee on Lamps and Gas.
RICHARD O'BRIEN,

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROSWELL C. BRAINARD, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings.—Notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against LLOYD GLOVER, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at the office of ENOS [illegible], No. [illegible] Broadway, in the City of New-York, on or before the 14th day of January next.—Dated July 9, 1863.

FRANCIS B. CARPENTER, Administrator.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROSWELL C. BRAINARD, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against John V. Cole, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the Executors, at the store of L. Richardson, No. 128 Fulton-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the first day of June next. Dated Nov. 24, 1863.

JOHN B. COLE,
LEONARD RICHARDSON, } Executors.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROSWELL C. BRAINARD, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against JOHN E. HANFORD, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers at the office of the executors, No. 140 Maiden-lane, in the City of New-York, on or before the sixth day of May next. Dated Oct. 29, 1863.

DANIEL F. WRIGHT,
FERRIS TRIPP, } Executors.
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NEW-YORK, HARLEM AND ALBANY RAILROAD.—Increased accommodations. Trains for Albany, Troy, the North and West, leave 26th-st. Depot at 10 A. M. and 4:25 P. M.
Sunday trains leave New-York for Albany at 4:25 P. M., and Albany for New-York at 9:15 A. M.
JOHN BURCHILL, Superintendent.

RARITAN AND DELAWARE BAY RAILROAD.—On and after Thursday, Sept. 10, the trips leaving New-York at 10:40 A. M., and Long Branch at 11:10 A. M., will be discontinued. On and after Monday, Sept. 14, the J. D. BEERS will leave foot of Murray-st. at 3 P. M., for Manchester, Toms River and intermediate stations. B. S. SEYMOUR, Superintendent.

NORTHERN R. R. OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains leave Jersey City at 8:10 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 1:15 P. M., 4:30 P. M., and 6:05 P. M. The 9:15 and 4:30 run to Monsey.
Sept. 12, 1863. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Sup't.

MORRIS AND ESSEX RAILROAD COMPANY, FOOT OF BARCLAY-STREET.—Through Mail trains for Hackettstown and intermediate stations leave New-York at 8 A. M. and 4 P. M. Morristown Express at 5 P. M. J. S. BASSINGER, Superintendent.

STEAMBOATS.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD AND SPRINGFIELD.—Steamers leave Peck-slip at 3:15 P. M. Passengers go north and east from New-Haven at 11 P. M., or remain on board over night without charge.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—ON TUESDAY, 15TH INST., A BLACK and white cameo breastpin. The finder will be liberally rewarded on returning the same to No. 20 West 15th-st.

ORDNANCE OFFICE, WAR DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, Dec. 4, 1863.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Ordnance Officers, appointed for the purpose of examining officers applying to be commissioned as ordnance officers of a rank not higher than Captain, will assemble at this office, on the 4th of January next, for the examination of Officers of the Army, applicants for the appointment of Second Lieutenant of Ordnance. All officers desirous of appearing before the Board, must first make application to that effect to the Chief of Ordnance, stating their age, present state of health, where and how educated, and what studies they have pursued. Such as wish to appear before the Board at its next meeting should file their application as herein required, by or before the 28th Dec., 1863.
(Signed) GEO. D. RAMSAY, Brig.-Gen.,
Chief of Ordnance.

RECRUITS WANTED, TO AVOID THE DRAFT.—The New-York Draft Insurance Office, No. 240 Broadway, Room No. 14. Persons liable to the coming draft now have the opportunity to avoid the draft and secure $300 in cash and the State and Government bounty of $377 more, by enlisting as recruits. Those wishing to avail themselves of this favorable chance to escape the draft, will be furnished transportation to this office to enlist and receive this cash bounty, by sending their names and address. N. B.—Colored men can also secure this bounty. This office will also insure against the coming draft for a premium of $150. Agents wanted in all towns or cities in every State.

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AMUSEMENTS.

WALLACK'S.
Doors open at 7; overture commences at 7¾ o'clock; piece, at its conclusion. The performance will terminate close on to 11 o'clock.
FRIDAY,
SIXTY-EIGHTH NIGHT
of Mr. Lester Wallack's very popular and highly attractive drama,
ROSEDALE;
or,
THE
RIFLE
BALL,
in which Mr. Lester Wallack, Mr. Charles Fisher, Mr. John Gilbert, Mr. Holland, Mr. Daly, Mr. John Sefton, Mr. Browne, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Pope, Mrs. Hoey, Miss Gannon, Mrs. Vernon, Miss Morant, Mrs. John Sefton, Miss Barrett and Miss Carman will perform.
ON SATURDAY,
MARRIED LIFE.
In which
MRS. JENNINGS
will make her first appearance on any stage.
MRS. WILKINS,
Her second appearance in America.
MR. YOUNG and MR. W. R. FLOYD
will also appear for the first time this season.
Mr. Lynx.......Mr. Charles Fisher
Mrs. Lynx.......Mrs. Jennings
Mr. Coddle.......Mr. John Gilbert
Mrs. Coddle.......Mrs. Wilkins
Mr. Younghusband.......Mr. W. R. Floyd
Mrs. Younghusband.......Miss Gannon
Mr. Dove.......Mr. Young
Mrs. Dove.......Miss Fanny Morant
Mr. Dismal.......Mr. George Holland
Mrs. Dismal.......Mrs. John Sefton
MONDAY—Sixty-ninth night of ROSEDALE.
TUESDAY—THE LOVE CHASE.
WEDNESDAY—MARRIED LIFE.
THURSDAY—Seventieth night of ROSEDALE.
FRIDAY—CHRISTMAS NIGHT—MARRIED LIFE.
SATURDAY—Seventy-first night of ROSEDALE.
MONDAY—THE LOVE CHASE.

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this season of
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MR. W. J. FLORENCE,
on which occasion he will appear in his great rôle of
ROBERT BRIERLEY,
in Tom Taylor's picture of every day English life,
THE TICKET OF LEAVE MAN.
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STATESMEN, JUDGES, ARTISTS and LITERATI,
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H. D. McKEON, Manager.

IRVING HALL.
MR. THEODORE THOMAS' ninth popular MUSICAL MATINEE, SATURDAY, Dec. 19, 1863.
Doors open at 1 o'clock.
NOTICE.—On the occasion of the next popular Musical Matinée, Dec. 19, each purchaser of a ticket of admission will be presented with a copy of the "Christmas Polka," 5 pages, composed by Mr. Charles Fradel, and dedicated to the Lady Patrons of Theodore Thomas' popular Musical Matinée at
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The following distinguished artists will also appear in an entire new and brilliant programme: Mme. COMTE BORCHARD, from the Italian Opera and Opera Comique, Paris; Mr. WM. CASTLE, Mr. S. C. CAMPBELL, Signor ABELLA and full Orchestra. Tickets, 50 cents; Tickets for sale at Irving Hall and the principal music stores.

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MIRROR OF THE REBELLION,
devoted to raising funds for the founding of a
NATIONAL HOME FOR INVALID SOLDIERS,
will open at
CLINTON HALL,
Astor-place, between Broadway and 4th-av., on
WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23.
Four admissions.......One Dollar
One-half of the profits to be donated to the above object. Future advertisements will contain full particulars.
JOSIAH PERHAM, Agent.

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CONCERT—IRVING HALL.
DODWORTH'S FULL BAND.
SATURDAY, DEC. 19, 1863.
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By TOM TAYLOR, embracing in its cast the ENTIRE STRENGTH of the Company, with NEW AND BEAUTIFUL SCENERY, NEW MUSIC, NEW COSTUMES, &c.
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EACH EIGHT FEET HIGH!
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Notwithstanding these immense attractions, the price of admission remains only 25 cents. Children under ten, 15 cents.

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NIBLO'S CONCERT SALOON,
EVERY TUESDAY AND SATURDAY.
SATURDAY, DEC. 19, 1863,
L'OMELETTE FANTASTIQUE,
Vaudeville in 1 Act, by MM. Duveyrier & Boyer.
By general request,
LE MARI A LA CAMPAGNE,
(Original of "The Serious Family,")
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Doors open at 7¼; curtain raised at 8 o'clock.
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On CHRISTMAS EVE there will be an extra performance for families.
Fifty cents admission all parts of the house.

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THE 22D REGIMENT N. G. S. N. Y.
will give a
GRAND MILITARY CONCERT,
at the Academy of Music, on
TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 29,
upon which occasion
Madame D'ANGRI,
Signor CENTEMERI, and
HELMSMULLER'S 22D REGIMENT BAND
will appear.
A choice programme will be offered, of which particulars will be given hereafter.
TICKETS, ONE DOLLAR.
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PARK THEATRE—BROOKLYN.
Lessee and Manager.......Mr. Gabriel Harrison
Stage Manager.......Mr. B. A. Baker
LAST NIGHT BUT ONE OF
MR. GABRIEL HARRISON.
FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 18,
THE WIFE.
Julian St. Pierre.......Mr. Gabriel Harrison
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Leonardo Gonzaga.......Mr. J. Whiting
Marianna.......Miss Henrietta Irving
LOTTERY TICKET.
Wormwood.......Mr. Walter Lennox

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY OF NEW-YORK.
TWENTY-SECOND SEASON, 1863-'64.
SECOND CONCERT AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC,
SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 19, 1863.
ORCHESTRAL PIECES: Beethoven's Pastoral Symphony, No. 6; Overtures, "In the Highlands," Gade, and "Rienzi," Wagner; Morceau Symphonique, "Le Songe," with piano obligato, Goldbeck. Solo Performers, Mme. VIRGINIA LORINI, Soprano, and R. GOLDBECK, Piano. Conductor, THEODORE EISFELD. Extra Matinee tickets for sale at the usual places. All tickets sold at the door on the evening of the concert, $1 50 each. Doors open at 7; to commence at 8 o'clock. By order.
L. SPIER, Secretary.

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NEW-YORK CLASSES—Mondays and Thursdays or Wednesdays and Saturdays.
Children at 4, Gentlemen at 8 P. M.
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MEETINGS.

GRAND MASS MEETING OF THE MACHINISTS of New-York and vicinity will be held on SATURDAY EVENING, Dec. 19, at 7½ o'clock, at the Cooper Institute, to show to the world that the machinists of New-York are invulnerable. Twenty-five per cent. or nothing. All working Associations are invited to meet us there. Several eminent speakers will address the meeting. By order. P. W. HAND, President.
B. Lowrance, Recording Secretary.

LIQUOR DEALERS.—A MEETING OF THE Liquor Dealers of New-York will be held at the City Assembly Rooms, No. 446 Broadway, on FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 18, to take into consideration the necessity of an advance in the prices of retailing liquors. The whole Trade are invited to attend. Several eminent speakers will address the meeting. By order.
GEO. MOORE, Chairman.
J. LESLIE ADAMS, Secretary.

THE CITY TRACT SOCIETY.—THE ANNIversary of the City Tract Society and of the Female Branch will be held in the Presbyterian Church, (Dr. Rice,) 5th-st. and 5th-av., on SUNDAY EVENING, Dec. 20, at 7½ o'clock. The annual reports will be presented, and addresses delivered by Rev. E. T. Hiscox, of the Baptist Church; Rev. H. D. Ganse, of the Reformed Dutch Church; Rev. A. Cookman, of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

AMUSEMENTS.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Lessee and Directress.......Mrs. John Wood.
Stage Manager.......J. H. Selwyn.
ALTERATION OF TIME.
On and after MONDAY, Dec. 14, the doors will open at 6¾, and the performance commence at 7½ o'clock.
FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 18, 1863,
A NEW PROGRAMME
will be presented,
both
ELEGANT AND ENTERTAINING,
Abounding in
FUN AND FROLIC,
in which the
ENTIRE STRENGTH OF THE COMPANY WILL APPEAR,
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MRS. JOHN WOOD,
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For the second time
As
NINETTE, (known as "La Perruque,") THE PRETTY BARBER OF ISLINGTON.
Orchestra under the direction of
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The entertainments will commence with the elegant little Comedy of
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Characters by
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After which,
SECOND TIME IN AMERICA,
A new Farce,
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F. C. BURNAND AND MONTAGUE WILLIAMS,
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In which she will sing a
NEW BALLAD,
"THE MAIDEN AND THE LINNET."
Place
THE VILLAGE OF ISLINGTON.
Scenery
SHAVING SHOP OF NINETTE.
Time
THE RESTORATION.
In consequence of the
SHOUTS OF LAUGHTER
which greeted
MRS. LOTTY HOUGH,
in her impersonation of
MEHITABLE ANNE,
she will repeat once more that character in the sketch of
"THE YANKEE LEGACY."
Josiah Briggs.......Mr. W. Davidge
Doors open at 6¾. Performances commence at 7½.
Seats can be secured three days in advance.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
GERMAN OPERA.
FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 18, 1863.
A CARD.
Subscribers are respectfully informed that this will be the last performance but one of the season in consequence of the necessary rehearsals of new operas.
TO-DAY, the Great Romantic Opera, in five acts,
FAUST,
by C. Gounod,
will be performed as ORIGINALLY WRITTEN by the composer and performed in Paris, without any curtailing whatever.
The Grand Midsummer-night scene in the fifth act will be given entirely.
The
ARION SOCIETY
will kindly assist in the celebrated SOLDIER CHORUS.
Faust.......Herr Himmer
Mephistopheles.......Herr Weinlich
Margaret.......Mme. Frederici
Valentine.......Herr Steinecke
Siebel.......Mr. Farley
Martha.......Mme. Berger
A full Military Band in the fourth act.
The new scenery in the fourth act is painted by Nicolas Meister. New costumes by J. Stellwerch.
In consequence of the length of the Opera, the curtain will rise at 7½ o'clock.
PRICES AS USUAL.
The sale of tickets will commence to-day at 9 o'clock at the Academy of Music, and at Messrs. Beer & Schirmer's, No. 701 Broadway.

NIBLO'S GARDEN—COMMENCES AT 7½.
Lessee and Manager.......WM. WHEATLEY.
THIS, FRIDAY, EVENING, DEC. 18, 1863,
A SUPERB AND MOST ATTRACTIVE BILL—THREE PIECES.
FAIRY SPECTACLE,
CHARMING BURLESQUE, and
SCREAMING FARCE,
with THE GREAT ORIGINALS,
MR. AND MRS. BARNEY WILLIAMS,
IN FIVE CHARACTERS.
This Extraordinary Performance can be given for
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Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAMS will be supported by Miss Ada Clifton, Miss Mary Wells, Mrs. Skerrett, Mrs. Mark Smith, Mrs. Reeves, Mr. H. Pearson, Mr. W. A. Chapman, Mr. J. G. Burnett, Mr. J. Seymour, Mr. J. W. Blaisdell, Mr. E. Lamb, Mr. Holmes, &c., &c.
The entertainments to commence with the fairy spectacle of
THE LAKES OF KILLARNEY.
Lanty McLoughlan.......Mr. Barney Williams
Kate Kearney.......Mrs. Barney Williams
Followed by the excellent burlesque of
THE MAGIC JOKE.
New scenery,
Magnificent Costumes,
Rare Cast of Characters,
Exquisite Music, Charming Melodies,
Intricate Transformations.
MRS. BARNEY WILLIAMS
in her immensely admired character of
PRINCE DOLOROSO.
To conclude with the screaming farce of
THE IRISH TIGER.
Paddy Ryan.......Mr. Barney Williams
MONDAY—An entire change of performance.

WINTER GARDEN.
Mr. FLORENCE would respectfully announce
TO-NIGHT, FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 18, 1863,
as being set apart for
HIS BENEFIT,
on which occasion will be presented Tom Taylor's grand four act drama of
THE TICKET OF LEAVE MAN,
pronounced by all to be the
"SENSATION OF THE SEASON,"
and conveying the great moral lesson of
PEACE ON EARTH AND GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN.
Mr. FLORENCE will personate his original character of
ROBERT BRIERLY,
while Mrs. Florence will enact the character of
EMILY ST. EVREMOND,
and sing her German song,
DU HAST DIAMANTEN UND PERLEN.
The Box Office for the sale of Orchestra Stalls, Boxes, Chairs, etc., etc., etc., will open this morning at 8 o'clock, and remain open till 4 o'clock.
The play commences at 7½ o'clock, and carriages may be ordered at 10:30 o'clock.

THE WONDERFUL "WHITE LADY,"
AT HOPE CHAPEL TO-NIGHT.

LECTURES.

MECHANICS' SOCIETY'S LECTURES.
The fifth lecture of the Course for 1863 will be delivered by Rev. J. C. DURCHEE, at Irving Hall, Irving-place, THIS (Friday) EVENING, to commence at 8 o'clock.
Subject—*Grandfathers and Grand Children.*

FAIRS.

DODWORTH'S HALL—806 BROADWAY.
Fair of the Young Ladies National Relief Association in aid of the Institution, No. 354 5th-av., for children of deceased or disabled soldiers. Dec. 14 to 26. The proceeds to be donated to said Institution for a building fund. Music—Grafulla's Seventh Regiment Band.

MEMORIAL CHURCH FAIR FOR THE POOR.
OPEN TILL CHRISTMAS EVE.
Hammond-st., corner Waverley-place.

HOME CHARITY BAZAAR—FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE HOME FOR THE FRIENDLESS.—The managers of the Home for the Friendless propose to hold a Charity Bazaar, in aid of this institution during the week commencing Dec. 14, at the Home Chapel, No. 29 East 29th-st. Useful articles, of every description, are solicited, especially ready-made clothing, for children or adults, of a quality that, if not transmuted into funds, may be used with economy for our large Home household. Whatever may be contributed for this object will be duly acknowledged and gratefully appreciated.

THE LADIES FAIR FOR THE BENEFIT of the Mission Chapel of the Church of the Incarnation will open at the southeast corner of Broadway and 33d-st., on THURSDAY NOON, Dec. 17, will continue through the rest of the week, DAY and EVENING. A large number of articles, suitable for Christmas presents, will be exhibited for sale.

LADIES' FAIR.—THE LADIES OF THE FREE Church of the Epiphany will hold a Fair, for the benefit of said church, in the basement of the same, No. 130 Stanton-st., between Essex and Norfolk sts., TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, Dec. 15, 16, 17 and 18, from 11 A. M. to 10 P. M.

THE FAIR FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE Protestant Episcopal Mission Sunday School of Yorkville is now being held at No. 814 Broadway. Open every day this week, from 2 to 10 P. M.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

A GOOD CANVASSER WANTED IN EVERY town to introduce the Universal Clothes Wringer, which sells rapidly wherever offered. Every family will have one. It is the only Wringer with the patent cog-wheel regulator, which positively prevents the rolls from breaking or twisting on the shaft. Liberal inducements offered and exclusive sale guaranteed.
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TO PHYSICIANS.—A THOROUGHLY EDUcated and experienced physician, (American,) with means, can enter into a respectable and legitimate professional business, securing a large income, by addressing L. H., Box No. 4,143 Post-office, New-York. Inquiries must be accompanied with references.

NINE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

THE HIBERNIA OFF CAPE RACE.

POLITICAL NEWS UNIMPORTANT.

No Decision Rendered in the Case of the Alexandra.

Reception of the News of General Grant's Victory at Chattanooga.

Arrival of the Rebel Steamer Sumter at Queenstown.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

St. Johns, N. F., Thursday, Dec. 17.

The steamship *Hibernia*, from Galway, on Tuesday the 8th inst., at 3 P. M., arrived here at 7 o'clock this Thursday morning.

The advices are nine days later than those by the *City of Cork*, at New-York.

The steamships *Glasgow* and *Saxon*, from New-York, both arrived at Queenstown on the 6th, and at Liverpool on the 7th inst.

The steamships *Edinburgh*, *Hansa*, *North American* and *Asia* doubtless all arrived out previous to the sailing of the *Australasian*, on the 5th, for New-York, though our dispatch which embraces the news subsequent to her departure, says nothing of them.

The political news is unimportant.

There is no change in the *status* of the Danish German question.

GREAT BRITAIN.

English politics are unimportant.

The Cabinet Ministers were leaving town for the Christmas Holidays.

Gen. Grant's victory at Chattanooga attracts the comments of the English press.

The *Daily News* takes it for granted that Bragg was defeated in a position selected by himself, and that unless Longstreet was determined to risk all at Knoxville, he would have retreated and rejoined Bragg, thereby relieving Knoxville. It thinks both Bragg and Longstreet in danger.

The *Times* sees no reason to dispute Gen. Grant's claim to a victory, and says the rebel reverse is the penalty for missing their opportunity after Chickamauga.

It accepts the minor details with reserve, and suggests that some of the reports from Knoxville may have been a little colored to suit the exigencies of Thanksgiving Day.

FRANCE.

The French Council of State was deliberating on M. Fould's proposed loan of three hundred millions of francs. It was reported that the measure would be laid before the Chamber during the week.

The bullion in the Bank of France was increasing, and it was stated that it had now reached two hundred and seventeen millions of francs.

THE SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN QUESTION.

It was rumored that the Federal execution would take place at Holstein on the 8th of December.

It was resolved by the Danish Council of State to regard any occupation of Holstein as a declaration for war.

The Danish Government had withdrawn the objectionable royal patent of March 30.

King Christian issued a proclamation to the Holsteiners on the 6th inst. He asserts his claims, and says that the maintenance of the integrity of the Danish monarchy is his duty, and he is resolved to put down insurrectionary movements with armed force. He hopes that when Holstein finds herself contented in constitutional freedom, which is granted, her troubles will end.

A proclamation is also issued to the Lauenburgers, thanking them for not having been led away from their duty, as subjects, in spite of the overtures made to them from without.

AUSTRIA.

Count Rechberg had made, in the Austrian Reichsrath, a declaration fully agreeing with that made by Bismark in the Prussian Chambers.

ITALY.

The National Bank of Turin has raised its rate of discount to 9 per cent.

POLAND.

Arrests in Warsaw continue.

The *Czas* of Cracow has been suspended for three months, on account of its attitude on the Polish question.

INDIA, CHINA, AND AUSTRALIA.

Bombay letters of Nov. 14 have been received. They report that considerable fighting had taken place in Lahore.

The following are the latest telegrams received via Suez:

Calcutta, Monday, Nov. 16.

Cotton Goods unchanged. Exchange 2s. 1⅜d. Freights flat.

Bombay, Monday, Nov. 16.

Exchange 2s.@2s. 1⅛d. Freights active.

Canton, Saturday, Oct. 31.

Cotton Goods advancing. Tea unchanged. Exchange 4s. 9½d.

Shanghai, Monday, Oct. 26.

Shirtings and silk higher. Exchange 6s. 1⅛d.

Melbourne, Saturday, Oct. 24.

Trade very dull.

Sydney, Wednesday, Oct. 21.

Trade prostrate.

There is a change in the Ministry.

LATEST PER HIBERNIA, VIA GALWAY.

Liverpool, Tuesday, Dec. 8.

The United States corvette *Kearsage* was off Queenstown on the 7th, and relanded sixteen men recently shipped there.

The rebel steamer *Gibraltar*, formerly the *Sumter*, has arrived at Queenstown with three hundred and thirty bales of cotton from Wilmington.

The Court of Exchequer did not give judgment in the *Alexandra* case, as was expected, on the 7th. No decision can now be given before the 11th of January. It was rumored that the Judges differ.

The Danish-German dispute looks rather more hopeful.

COMMERCIAL PER HIBERNIA.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

Applications for discount continued. Nothing had been done under eight per cent., and in some cases nine per cent. was paid. It is still feared that the minimum rate of the Bank of England will be still further advanced.

Liverpool, Monday, Dec. 7.

Cotton—The sales to-day were 6,000 bales, including 3,000 to speculators and exporters, the market closing firm and unchanged, since the departure of the *Australasian* on the 5th.

TRADE REPORT.

There has been no market at Manchester since the sailing of the *Australasian*.

Breadstuffs are steady. There has been no regular Corn Market since the *Australasian*. Wakefield, Nash & Co. report Flour steady; Wheat firm; Corn quiet and steady.

Provisions are quiet and steady. Wakefield, Nash & Co. report: Beef quiet and steady; Pork steady; Bacon dull and 6d. lower; Tallow dull and unchanged.

Produce.—Sugar heavy and tending downward. Coffee, no sales. Ashes quiet and steady. Linseed Oil inactive at 39s. Petroleum firmer; sales of Crude at 1s. 8d. Resin quiet and steady. Spirits Turpentine, sales small.

London, Monday, Dec. 7.

Breadstuffs firm. Tea quiet and steady. Sugar still declining. Coffee firm. Rice flat. Tallow dull and tending downward.

Consols closed to-day (Monday) at 9[illegible]@[illegible] discount. Erie Shares, 6[illegible]@6[illegible].

LATEST VIA GALWAY.

Liverpool, Tuesday, Dec. 8.

Cotton—The sales to-day are estimated at 4,000 bales, including 1,500 to speculators and exporters, the market closing quiet and unchanged.

The Breadstuffs market opened with holders asking [illegible]

...ing the rates of Friday last, except for Corn, which is easier.

Provisions are dull and tend downward. Tallow also has a declining tendency.

NEWS BY THE CITY OF CORK.

More About the Peace Congress—The English Government Censured by the French Press.

The steamship *City of Cork* from Liverpool, Nov. 25, arrived here yesterday. She brings Cork papers as late as Nov. 26, which contain these telegrams:

THE PEACE CONGRESS.

THE ENGLISH GOVERNMENT CENSURED.

Paris, Saturday, Nov. 28.

The *Patrie*, of this evening, states that the Emperor will come to Paris on Monday, to preside at a Council of Ministers.

The *Constitutionnel* attacks the English Government for declining to enter the proposed Congress, and says that if trouble and complications should ensue, as is probable, the entire responsibility would fall upon those who rejected the work of peace and conciliation.

THE POPE.

Rome, Thursday, Nov. 26—Evening.

The Pope, in his reply to the Congress invitation from the Emperor Napoleon, expressed his conviction that the Congress would respect his rights to the Pontifical provinces occupied by Piedmont.

ITALY.

Turin, Saturday, Nov. 28.

To-day, in the Chamber of Deputies, several amendments proposed by the opposition having been lost, the treaties of commerce and navigation with France were passed without alteration by 187 against 49 votes.

SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN.

London, Sunday, Nov. 29.

A densely crowded and enthusiastic meeting of Germans residing in London, was held on Saturday night at the London Tavern, to express sympathy with and give support to the people of Schleswig and Holstein. The gallery was filled with ladies. Five resolutions were passed.

SWEDEN.

Stockholm, Saturday, Nov. 28.

All the four estates have unanimously granted the credit asked for by the Ministry, expressing at the same time entire approval of the policy of the Government. No dissenting speech was made.

FROM BERMUDA.

Movements of Blockade-Runners.

By the arrival of the brig *Alexander*, Capt. Penniston, from Bermuda, we have advices to the 11th inst.

The steamers *Adriance* (late *Lord Clyde*) and *Eugenie* were daily expected from Wilmington, N. C., and as they were some time overdue, fears were entertained of their capture.

On the 7th inst., a derelict vessel drifted on the N. W. Reefs, loaded with fish and lumber, name unknown. On the 11th, an unknown vessel was reported in distress to the north.

H. B. M. steam frigates *Medea* and *Racer*, arrived from Halifax on the 9th inst., and the *Pluton*, from the West Indies, on the 11th.

The following vessels were in the port of St. George's:

Steamers *Heroine* and *Coquette*, loaded, and supposed for Wilmington, N. C.; *Ranger*, from Plymouth via Teneriffe, arrived 9th. Ships *Enterprise*, waiting; *Saguenay*, in distress; *Nereid*, loading for Liverpool. Barks *Crimea*, uncertain; *Jane Doull*, do.; *Prysmus*, do.; *Josephine*, do.; *Inkstasic*, do.; *Jane Goudie*, do.; *Morning Star*, do.; *Glacier*, for New-York, soon; *Eliza Barss*, from Hamilton, for New-York; 12th inst. *Lady Burk*, for Point-au-Petre; *Mac Merriles*, repairing.

Bark *Auctioneer* arrived from New-York 10th inst. Brigs *Chenete*, uncertain; *Daisy*, uncertain; *Erac*, uncertain; *Isles*, uncertain; *Honesta*, uncertain; *Ellen Sophia*, uncertain; *Somers*, uncertain; *Ida Abbott*, for New-York soon; *Henrietta*, from New-York Aug. 10, going in 11th; brig *A. W. Eaton*.

Schooners *Hound*, discharging; *Mary Bradford*, uncertain; *Torres*, uncertain.

Sailed, 2d, steamers *Denbigh*, for Havana; 3d, *Ceres*, for Wilmington, N. C.; *Flora*, for Wilmington, N. C.; 8th, ship *Pyramid*, Auld, for Shanghae.

St. George's, Bermuda, Monday, Nov. 23, 1863.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

The steamer *Tubal Cain* arrived in this port yesterday, in four days from New-York, and would soon make a favorite and profitable line of steamers, if the American West India Company would put on a respectable ship. Things in the Bermudas are rather flat now, owing to the sad fate of some of their blockade-runners lately caught, which runs Confederate stock very much down.

There are four or five C. S. A. cotton steamers in, but none venturing out. Six more new ones are expected from England next week, and as soon as the dark moon comes our blockading fleet can look out for prizes.

The old Confederate steamer *Sumter*, which cleared from here the 13th of August for Wilmington, again returned here laden with cotton last Monday week, clearing for England day before yesterday, having two commissioned officers aboard.

It is currently reported that the English bark *Crimea*, that came in here recently with coals for the Confederates and had the secesh flag flying, is soon to sail for New-York for freight. It is to be hoped our authorities will not forget her.

It is about as pleasant for a loyal American to reside in the Bermudas now as it would be in Charleston. Turning every corner of this shapeless town none but the Confederate meets your gaze, and they monopolize every hotel and boarding-house.

Obituary.

Died in this City, on the 17th day of December inst., Edward White, formerly of the city and county of Limerick, Ireland, but for more than forty years a resident and citizen of the United States. Born in Limerick in 1784, he was in the 80th year of his age at the time of his death. He emigrated with his family to the United States in April, 1822, and settled in Susquehannah County, Penn., which was just then being reclaimed from the wilderness; and he subsequently became a resident of Binghamton, Broome County, in the State of New-York. An ardent Catholic, and a devoted and indefatigable friend of his native countrymen, he succeeded in laying the foundations of the thrifty and intelligent settlements of citizens of Irish birth and Catholic faith, which are now numerous in that section of Northern Pennsylvania and the adjoining borders of New-York. Like the patriarchs of old, wherever he moved an altar to God was raised; and the Catholic Churches of Silver Lake, Friendsville, Towanda, Binghamton and other places, bear evidence of the zeal, and faith, and good works that distinguished him. While solicitous, almost to an excess, in promoting the welfare of the laboring classes of his native fellow-countrymen and countrywomen, there was, at the same time, no one more popular and respected than he was among his fellow-citizens and neighbors of American birth. Aided in all his duties and undertakings by the gentle, enduring sympathy and wise counsel of the saintly partner of his life, who has gone before him to enjoy her infinite reward, he was a loving husband, a devoted father, a faithful friend and just man, of whom it might be truly said that "even his failings leaned to virtue's side;" and to those who have known him best and longest, this memorial of affection will not seem exaggerated. May he rest in peace!

His friends, and those of his sons, James W. White, Justice of the Superior Court of this City, and John E. White, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Mott-street, on Saturday morning, the 19th inst., at 9 o'clock, where mass will be celebrated.

Valuable Paintings at Auction.—A rare and valuable collection of paintings, comprising ancient and modern works, by masters of all the schools of art, will be sold at auction this evening by Daniel A. Matthews & Co., at Gibson's Building, next door to Wallack's Theatre. The most noticeable feature of the sale is the famed original portrait of Washington, painted by C. W. Peale in 1776, and formerly the property of Lafayette. We understand that a very large sum has been offered for this valuable memento at private sale; but the owner refuses to dispose of it except at public auction, believing that the competition for its possession will result in still handsomer offers.

Nearly Full.—The town of Bergen, whose quota on the last call is 94 men, lacked but one man to fill it yesterday afternoon.

[Advertisement.]

Rich, Racy and Instructive.—The best number ever printed. For portraits, characters and biographies of Gen. Banks, Lord Lyndhurst, etc., with portraits of beautiful women, Egyptian mummies, Sioux Indians, Love, Courtship and Marriage, Wild Men and Beasts, Children, How Miss K. Got a Husband, A Woman's Experience, The Secret of Beauty, Love Signs in the Face, The Beard—Its Cultivation and Significance, Dreams, Causes and Effect, see the January number *Phrenological Journal*, now ready. 15 cents, or $1 50 a year. New volume. Fowler & Wells, No. 308 Broadway, New-York.

The Phrenological Journal for January—(Which begins a new volume) will be ready next week. Its several departments—Ethnology, Physiology, Phrenology, Physiognomy, Psychology, etc.—will be full and amply illustrated. It will also contain Portraits, Characters and Biographies of several distinguished men, the whole being replete with instruction served up in an attractive style. Terms, $1 50 a year, sent to any address; single copies 15 cents. Now is a good time to subscribe. Address Fowler & Wells, No. 308 Broadway, New-York.

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Herring's Patent Champion Fire-proof Safes, and Herring's new Patent Burglar-proof Safes, with Herring & Floyd's Patent Crystallized Iron—the only material which cannot be drilled—at No. 251 Broadway, New-York.

[Advertisement.]

The Illinois State Fair, awarded the highest commendation to the Willcox & Gibbs Sewing-machine.

MARRIED.

DeGraw—Morehouse.—On Thursday, Dec. 17, at the First Reformed Dutch Church, Brooklyn, by Rev. A. A. Willetts, Walter M. DeGraw, Jr., and Hester A., eldest daughter of Stephen E. Morehouse, all of the above place.

Graves—Delmotte.—On Wednesday, Dec. 16, at Trinity Chapel, by Rev. Edwin Harwood, Rector of Trinity Church, New-Haven, Conn., John Graves and Louise Isabelle, only daughter of Louis A. Delmotte, both of this City.

Harris—Suydam.—On Thursday, Dec. 17, at No. 175 Livingston-st., Brooklyn, by Rev. R. L. Schoonmaker, of Schenectady, James, son of John L. Harris, of Ravenswood, L. I., and Maria J., eldest daughter of Martin J. Suydam, of Middle Village, L. I.

Miller—Waltmire.—At the residence of the bride's father, on Thursday, Dec. 17, by His Honor, Mayor Opdyke, Edward F. Miller and Jennie, daughter of William and Marriett L. Waltmire, all of this City.

Spaulding—Russell.—In this City, on Thursday, Dec. 17, by Rev. Thomas Mallaby, Henry A. Spaulding and Cornelia, youngest daughter of Capt. J. G. Russell.

Tyng—Tappan.—At the Church of the Ascension, on Wednesday, Dec. 16, by Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D., Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., and Miss Fanny Rollins Tappan, daughter of J. P. Tappan, all of this City.

West—Christie.—On Saturday morning, Dec. 12, at the bride's residence, by Rev. P. H. Jeffries, Byron D. West, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Maggie M. Christie, of Newport, Ky.

DIED.

Bradhurst.—On Thursday, Dec. 17, after a long and painful illness, Lillie Wilmerding, youngest daughter of Henry M. and Elizabeth T. Bradhurst, aged 5 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from the residence of her parents, Washington Heights, on Saturday morning, Dec. 19, at 11 o'clock.

Duryea.—On Thursday, Dec. 17, of diphtheritic croup, Amos Bailey, youngest son of William E. and Huldah A. Duryea, aged 15 months and 15 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his parents, No. 516 East 5th-st., on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 20, at 1½ o'clock, without further invitation.

Elsworth.—In Port Hudson, La., on Friday, Aug. 14, Lieut. A. M. Elsworth, late Quartermaster 165th regiment New-York State Volunteers, eldest son of Edward and Phebe Ann Elsworth, in the 26th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family, the members of Company F, 7th regiment National Guard, also of the regiment, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, on Friday, Dec. 18, at 1 o'clock, from Dr. Chapin's Church, Broadway, near Prince-st., without further invitation.

Gay.—In Walton, N. Y., on Tuesday, Dec. 15, Annie G., daughter of David H. and Susan Gay, aged 15 years and 3 months.

Hovey.—On Wednesday evening, Dec. 16, Rev. J. Parsons Hovey, D. D., pastor of the Eleventh Presbyterian Church, and Chaplain of the 71st regiment New-York State Militia, aged 53 years.

The relatives and friends of the family, and his clerical brethren, and the members of the 71st regiment, (in citizens' dress,) are invited to attend the funeral, from the Eleventh Presbyterian Church, corner of 4th-st. and Avenue C, on Saturday morning, Dec. 19, at 11 o'clock, without further invitation. The remains will be taken to Greenwood for interment.

Richmond papers please copy.

Hudson.—On Wednesday morning, Dec. 16, Catharine Hudson, relict of Henry Hudson, aged 6[illegible] years, 8 months and 14 days.

The friends of the family, and those of her sons, John H., Andrew J., William J. and Victor E., are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, on Friday morning next, Dec. 18, at 9 o'clock, from her late residence, No. 2[illegible] Sullivan-st. Her remains will be taken to St. Joseph's Church, corner 6th-av. and West Washington-place, where a Requiem Mass will be offered up for the repose of her soul, thence to Calvary Cemetery, for interment.

Hall.—The remains of George F. Hall, late Assistant Paymaster U. S. Navy, son of Charles and Matilda Hall, of this City, who died at Key West, Fla., of yellow fever, Sept. 1, 1863, arrived in the naval steamer *Union*, and were interred in Greenwood Cemetery on Thursday, Dec. 17, 1863.

Jackson.—In Passaic, N. J., on Wednesday, Dec. 16, Samuel Wesley, eldest son of William H. and Sarah A. Jackson, in the 15th year of his age.

Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his uncle, George Bell, No. 150 West 22d-st., on Friday morning, Dec. 18, at 10½ o'clock.

Megarey.—On Tuesday, Dec. 15, Margaret J. Megarey, widow of James Megarey.

The funeral will take place this (Friday) afternoon, at 1 o'clock, from her late residence, No. 65 Johnson-st., Brooklyn.

Rudderow.—On Wednesday, Dec. 16, Lillie, only daughter of Edward S. and Anna Y. Rudderow, aged 2 years and 21 days.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Friday, Dec. 18, at 1 o'clock P. M., from the residence of its grandfather, Mr. J. B. Smith, No. 95 Grand-st., Jersey City, N. J.

Scott.—On Wednesday, Dec. 16, of congestion of the brain, Amelia Louisa, only daughter of Richard and Mary L. Scott, aged 1 years, 1 month and 9 days.

Her funeral will take place from the residence of her parents, north side 125th-st., between 5th and 6th avs., on Friday afternoon, Dec. 18, at 2 o'clock.

Terry.—In Buffalo, N. Y., on Sunday, Nov. 29, Caroline Clarke, wife of Arthur Terry, of Buenos Ayres, S. A.

Wheeler.—On Tuesday, Dec. 15, John Irving Wheeler, aged 24 years.

The relatives and friends are respectfully requested to attend the funeral, at 11 o'clock this (Friday) morning, at the residence of his mother, in Westport, Conn. The remains to be taken to Westport for interment.

Waldrove.—At Dobbs' Ferry, N. Y., on Thursday, Dec. 17, Effingham W. Waldrove, aged 67 years. Notice of the funeral hereafter.

Passengers Arrived.

Dec. 17.—*In steamship City of Cork from Liverpool.*—Madame Journet, Capt. Childs, wife and daughter, Mons. Depretie, Madame L. Benion, Capt. E. P. Ring, O. T. Glenn, wife and child, Mrs. Trelts, Miss Cockerell, Miss Norton, Robert Dixon, John Manengan, John Heldon, Mons. F. Desire, and 134 steerage passengers.

In brig Oleander, from Bermuda.—J. A. Leland, bearer of dispatches, Capt. F. A. Merrill, Lewis A. Franklin, Ensign H. F. Gobert, Lieut. F. H. Chambers, Ensign D. B. Tarleton, 30th regiment British army, en route to England, and 3 in the steerage.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises	7 19	Sun sets	4 35	Moon sets	12 48

HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.

Sandy Hook	1 20	Gov. Island	2 18	Hell Gate	3 40

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....THURSDAY, Dec. 17.

Cleared.

Steamer Octorara, McLaughlin, Baltimore, Wm. Dalzell.

Ships Columbia, Stowell, Liverpool, C. H. Marshall; Yorktown, Driver, London, Grinnell, Minturn & Co.

Barks Argean, Lindsay, Cette, J. W. Elwell & Co.; Gertrude, Chase, New-Orleans, Gager & Clay; D. C. Murray, Johnson, New-Orleans, Murray & Nephew.

Brigs Margaret, Lynch, St. Johns, N. F., Gordon, Bruce & McAuliff; Leader, (Br.) Vigneau, St. Johns, N. F., H. J. & C. A. DeWolf; Unco, (Aust.) Stulya, Cadiz, Holmboe & Balchen; W. R. Sawyer, Tracy, Boston, Miller & Houghton; Wild Pigeon, (Br.) Johnston, Nassau, Joseph Enens.

Schooners Sultan, (Br.) Dixon, Halifax, Brett, Son & Co.; D. E. Kelly, Kelly, Boston, A. Hows; M. G. Leonard, Lewitt, Fortress Monroe, E. C. Wheeler; Mary Shields, Watt, New-Bedford, Bentley, Smith & Co.; G. M. Smith, Pearce, Washington, Bentley, Smith & Co.; Sophia, Richmond, Sag Harbor, H. S. Rackett & Son; Sarah Benner, Calligan, Machias, T. M. Mayhew; D. Townsend, Townsend, Washington, Van Brunt & Slaght; Margaret Ann, (Br.) Whelpley, St. Kitts, A. Smithers; New Haven, Glover, Washington, Bentley, Smith & Co.; Granoa, O'Donnell, Greytown, J. E. Body; A. R. Wetmore, Edwards, Washington, Van Brunt & Slaght; S. T. King, Clendennin, Calais, Me., Jed Frye & Co.

Sloop Rhode Island, Wightman, Providence, L. Kenny.

Arrived.

Steamship City of Cork, Tibbets, Liverpool Nov. 25, via Queenstown 26th, at 11:35 A. M., with mdse. and 151 passengers to John G. Dale. Had heavy westerly gales the entire passage.

Steamer New-Jersey, ——, Philadelphia, in ballast to Wm. Loper.

U. S. steam transport America, Share, Alexandria 48 hours, with a detachment of U. S. artillery, under command of Lieuts. Cullen and Andrews, to U. S. Assistant Quartermaster.

Steamer Sea Gull, Kenny, Providence, with mdse. to E. Bynner.

Ship Vancouver, (of Bath,) Curtis, Bristol 57 ds., with railroad iron to master. Had strong westerly winds the entire passage, split sails, etc. Nov. 22, James Blossom, seaman, fell from aloft on deck and was killed. 12th inst., lat. 40 30, lon. 69, was chased by a 3-masted steamer, (propeller,) had fore topsail, topgallant sail, and a large square sail set on foremast, and fore and aft sails on the other masts; was painted black, and had a house on deck; she was under sail only; we were only about 4 miles distant from her.

Bark Lotus, (of Liverpool,) Stinson, Manzanilla, Cuba, 29 ds., with mdse. to Edmiston Bros. Had head winds the entire passage.

Bark Teresa Carmelia, (Ital.,) Romeo, Odessa 90 ds., with wood to order. Is bound to Salem, put into this port for orders.

Bark Edward Hincken, (of Yarmouth, N. S.,) Fletcher, Bristol 40 ds., with railroad iron to Boyd & Hincken.

Brig Trackless, (of Shelburn, N. S.,) Laprelle, Port-au-Prince 3d inst., with coffee and logwood to Henry de Cordova & Co. Passed in St. Marc's Channel, a bark, supposed the Chanticleer, from New-York; also, off the Cape, a brig, supposed the Bird of the Wave, fm. Boston.

Brig G. Wheelwright, (of Liverpool, N. S.,) Ralph, Demarara Nov. 27, with sugar to G. Wheelwright.

Brig E. Bigelow, (Br.,) Holmes, Aux Cayes 20 ds., with logwood to D. R. De Wolf.

Brig Caroline, Behrns, (Brem.,) Leghorn, with mdse. to Wm. Pate.

Brig Olga, (Russ.,) Langrene, Malaga 42 ds., with fruit to L. E. Amsinck & Co.

Brig J. B. King, (of Windsor, N. S.,) Coffill, Gonaives 1st inst., with logwood to J. C. McAndrew. Sld. in co. with brig Foster, for Boston.

Brig Oleander, (of Bermuda,) Penniston, Bermuda 11th inst., with mdse. to Middleton & Co. 13th inst., at 11 P. M., passed a vessel steering E. S. E., supposed to be a steamer.

Brig Thomas Young, (Br.,) Thomas, Charlottetown, P. E. I., 18 ds., with oats to Frye & Smith.

Brig H. M. Perry, (new,) Phillips, Deep River, Conn., in tow of a steamer, in ballast to Murray & Nephew.

Brig Boston, (of St. Johns, N. F.,) Harebon, Harbor Grace, N. F., 6 ds., with fish to Green & Currie.

Schr. Ruby, (of Nassau,) Peterson, Nassau, N. P., 10 ds., with mdse. to Joseph Enens.

Schr. Trade Wind, Collery, New-Haven, for Philadelphia.

Schr. Harriet, Pease, Bodque, P. E. I., 20 ds., with oats to D. R. De Wolf.

Schr. W. G. Audenreid, Hewitt, Boston, for Philadelphia.

Schr. R. M. Price, Shiddy, Elizabethport, for Providence.

Schr. Thomas Borden, Wrightington, Fall River, for Philadelphia.

Schr. James Logan, Smith, Providence, for Philadelphia.

Schr. Charles Moore, Angelton, Philadelphia, for Providence.

Schr. Adelaide, Harlow, Boston, with laths to J. B. Townsend.

Schr. Alice T., Thompson, Providence, in ballast to P. I. Nevius & Son.

Schr. Village Bride, Cohen, Westport, Me., with fish to Woodruff & Robinson.

Schr. Terah, (Br.,) Welsh, Charlottetown, P. E. I., 20 ds., with oats to R. P. Buck & Co.

Schr. Jason, Sprague, Machias 8 ds., with lumber to master.

Schr. Hattie, Lancey, Eastport, with fish to Jed Frye & Co.

Schr. L. A. Johnson, Culner, Fall River.

Schr. Fanny Morse, Davis, Wareham, with nails.

Schr. Col. Lester, Perry, New-Bedford, with oil.

Schr. Harriet Ryan, Snow, New-Bedford, with oil.

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Schr. O. W. Locke, Huntley, Providence.

Schr. Curlew, Chase, Virginia, with oysters.

Schr. M. C. Durfee, Lavin, Fall River.

WIND—During the day, N. E. with rain.

Below.

Ship Protector, (Norw.,) from Leghorn.

Ship Corsair, Hughes, Liverpool Oct. 15.

Brig Maracaibo.

Sailed.

Br. steamship St. Andrew, for Glasgow.

Ships Eidelia, (Br.,) Richard Alsop, (Dan.,) Quesnel, Java.

Barks Dagma, (Nor.,) Pelgrina, (Span.,) Winefred, (Br.,) Franz Von Mathies, (Meck.,) Alexander, (Fr.,) Escape, (Br.,) Michael, Emily and Ada.

Brigs Freia, (Old.,) A. D. Jordon, (Br.,) Geo. Downes, (Br.,) Emilie, (Hamb.,) Lisette, (Dan.,) Kronenburgh, (Hol.,) Eliza, (Br.,) Emelia, (Port.,) Jane, (Br.,) Francis Newton, Merrie England, (Br.,) W. R. Kibby, (Br.,) Annie Jones, (Br.)

Schooners Enchantress, Storm Bird, and 20 others.

Steamer Decatur.

Miscellaneous.

A fine brig, of about 650 tons, called the N. M. Terry, was launched from the yard of Mr. Eli Denison, Deep River, Conn., a few days since. She belongs to Messrs. Murray & Nephew, of this City, and is the seventh vessel built by Mr. Denison for the same owners, and the third one within a year. Capt. E. F. Phillips, late of the Walter Raleigh, will command her.

The crew of the ship Wm. S. Lindsay, ashore on the West Bank, have left the vessel, and report the water being over her upper deck at high tide.

Portland, Dec. 17.—The gunboat Agawam has arrived here for coal. She has lost both anchors.

By Telegraph.

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Bark Courser, Cagliari; brig Jacmel Packet, Jacmel; bark Chief, from New-Orleans.

Also arr., steamer Circassian; brigs Australia, East Harbor; Flash, Aux Cayes.

Spoken, &c.

China—steamship, hence for Liverpool, Nov. 29, off Ballycotton.

Edinburgh—steamship, bound E., 1st inst., 165 miles west of Fastnet.

Glasgow—steamship, bound E., 4th inst., lat. 50 57, lon. 22 23.

Persia—steamship, hence for Liverpool, 8th inst., lat. 48 30, lon. 37 10.

Detroit—steamer, from Fortress Monroe, 15th inst., at 10 A. M.

Anna—bark, from Port Royal, off Phœnix Shoals 16th inst.

Sophie—brig, bound N. E., 15th inst., Sandy Hook bearing N. W. by N. 165 miles.

Foreign Ports.

Sld. from Port-au-Prince, Nov. 30, the brig Beaver, for New-York via Miragoane; the brig Monticello, for Boston via Inagua, Nov. 29; the brig Ocean Pearl, for Boston via Miragoane, Nov. 28.

At Demarara Nov. 27, brig Conquest, for New-York in 10 days.

At Gonaives 1st inst., brig Elba, for New-York in 8 ds.

[PER CITY OF CORK.]

Arrived at Queenstown—Nov. 29, Albert Franz Schrebe, New-York.

[PER HIBERNIA.]

Arrived from New-York—5th inst., Jane W., at Deal for Hull. The Rapid passed Deal.

Arrived from Boston—6th inst., Thomas Whitney at Deal.

Latest Shipping Intelligence.

Galway, Dec. 8.

Arrived from New-York—6th, Washington at Liverpool; 7th, Ocean Spray at Kingstown; Cereal, at Dublin; Eva at Deal; Veritas, Volunteer and Constantine at Queenstown; Cuban and Arbutrus at Havre; 4th, Barzella, at Glasgow; Neptune at Bordeaux.

The Julia, from Cardiff for New-York, had put into Queenstown with cargo shifted, and must discharge.

The J. W. Seaver, from Boston for Hong-Kong, was damaged in a typhoon.

[PER CHAMPION.]

Arr. at Aspinwall 3d inst., steamer Champion, Wilson, New-York; 8th, steamer Atlantic, Maury, New-York. Cld. 1st inst., Am. steamer Illinois, Babcock, New-York; 4th, schr. S. T. Baker, Price, Cuba; 7th, bark Scotland, Rollins, Philadelphia; steamer Champion, Wilson, New-York; brig Bogota, Porter.

Arr. at Valparaiso Nov. 3, bark G. R. Monte, (Brem.,) New-York; Danish bark Rathenaan, Boston; Br. ship Sciota, Boston; 6th, Am. ship Abbott Lawrence, Hull. Sld. Nov. 3, Am. ships Kittie Floyd, Callao; 8th, Abbott Lawrence, Callao.

Arr. at Callao Nov. 13, Am. ships Valley Forge, Chinchas; Cushing, Cardiff; 14th, Harry Bluff, do.; Old Colony, do.; 18th, Gertrude, San Francisco; Crescent City, do.; 19th, Lawrence, Hull; Gen. Shepley, Bahia; Lady Blessington, Chinchas; 21st, M. Greenleaf, Rio Janeiro; Goodson, Cardiff; 28th, James Littlefield, Chinchas; 30th, Rockingham, Panama.

Sld. Am. ship Astrea, Chinchas; Edward D. Peters, do.; Samaritan, do.; 17th, Atlanta, do.; Louis Walsh, do.; 17th, Kittie Floyd, do.; 18th, Harry Bluff, France; Willard, England; 20th, Marshfield, Chinchas; City of Bangor, do.; 21st, Lawrence, Acapulco; Golden Rule, Chinchas; 23d, Anawan, Boston; Union, Chinchas; Lady Blessington, England; Crescent City, do.; Creole, do.; 24th, Gen. Shepley, do.; 25th, Rockingham, do.; 28th, M. Greenleaf, do.

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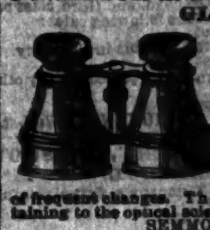

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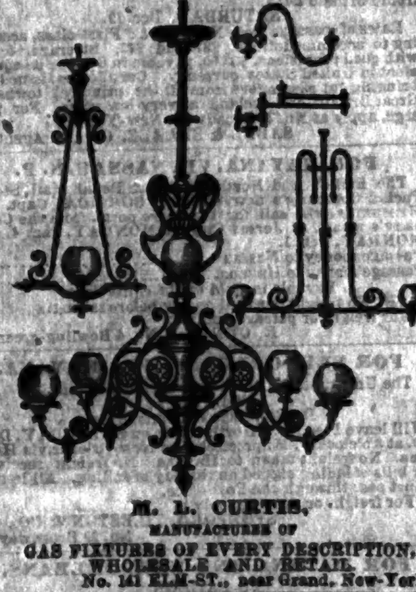

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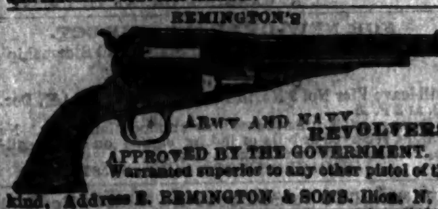

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